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Assembly College.—8-45, Rev. Principal Paul.
Ballysillan.—Rev. J. Forbes, B.A.
Belmont.—Revs. R. Hyndman, B.A., and W. A. J. Barbour, B.A.; 7, Praise Service.
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Bloomfield.—Rev. C. M. Young, B.A.
Broadway.—Rev. H. Scott, B.A.; 7, Praise Service.
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Cliftonville.—Rev. A. F. Moody, D.D.
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Cregagh.—Rev. D. Stewart, B.A.
Crescent.—Revs. C. Jackson, B.Sc., and H. D. Griffith, B.A.
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Elmwood.—Rev. D. Frazer-Hurst, M.A.
Finaghy.—Rev. A. Martin, B.A.
Fisherwick.—11-30 and 6-40, Rt. Rev. W. J. Currie, D.D.
Fitzroy Avenue.—Rev. Dr. Woodburn; 7, Praise Service.
Fortwilliam Park.—Rev. A. L. Harrison; 7, Excerpts from "The Messiah."
Glengormley.—Rev. S. M'Kinley, M.A.
Gt. Victoria St.—Rev. J. Donaldson, B.A.
Knock.—Revs. E. A. Elliott Burrows, M.A., and H. E. Jump (Sudan U.M.)
M'Cracken Memorial.—Rev. D. Dowling, M.A.; 11-30, soloist Mrs. S. M'Ritchie.
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Westbourne.—Rev. J. H. Carson, M.A.
Windsor.—Rev. W. Corkey, D.D.; 7, Praise Service.

EPILOGUE SERVICE
ASSEMBLY'S COLLEGE.
CLOSING SERVICE OF PRESENT TERM.
SUNDAY, 18th December,
at 8-45 p.m.,
CONDUCTED BY
REV. PRIN. PAUL, M.A., D.D.
NEXT EPILOGUE SERVICE,
SUNDAY, January 15th, 1939, at 8-45.

ASSEMBLY HALL — 3-30
ANTI-GAMBLING CRUSADE
SPECIAL SERVICE
Preacher:
The Very Rev. Dr. T. M. Johnstone.
Subject: "IS IT NOTHING TO YOU?"
Mr. W. J. PRICE, J.P., will take part in the service.
Soloist: Mr. SAM ADAMS.
Praise led by the CHOIR of STRAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
Organist and Conductor:
Mr. Gordon Wilkinson, A.T.C.L.

May Street Church
REV. A. WYLIE BLUE
11-30 a.m. and 7 p.m.
EVENING SUBJECT
YESTERDAY AND TO-MORROW
Retiring Collections for Jewish Refugees.

Donegall Pass Presbyterian Church
REV. H. H. AITCHISON, M.A.
11-30 a.m.—Good, Better, Best.
7- 0 p.m.—The Fatal "But."
ALL WELCOME. COME EARLY.

SHANKILL RD. MISSION CHURCH
11-30—Rev. W. N. MAXWELL, M.A.
7-0—Mr. W. H. BRICE.
PRAISE SERVICE
SELECTIONS from "MESSIAH."
Soloists:—Miss GERTRUDE SONERS, Miss EDNA THOMPSON, Mr. STEWART M'KINLEY, Mr. ALBERT SMITH.
Organist—Mr. R. DONNELLY, L.T.C.L.
Conductor—Mr. ARTHUR MARTIN.

MALONE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
11-30 a.m.
Rev. H. E. JUMP
(Sudan United Mission)
And Rev. J. STUART CAMERON.
7-0 p.m.—
"The King in His Beauty."
Rev. J. STUART CAMERON, M.A., B.D.

MACRORY MEMORIAL CHURCH.
11-30 and 7—
REV. JAMES PATTERSON, B.A.
EVENING SUBJECT:
"THE SOUL—WHENCE?"
Soloist: Mr. DAVID SMYTH.

KIRKPATRICK MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (Ormiston), Ballyhackamore.
11-30—Rev. JAMES TOLLAND.
7 o'clock—Excerpts from
"MESSIAH"
Soloists:—Miss MAISIE NICKLE, Mr. GEORGE SIMPSON, Mr. JAMES SHAW.
Church Choir (augmented).
Accompanist—Miss EVELYN KENNEDY
Conductor—Mr. WM. BOYD.
Special Thankoffering.
Strangers cordially invited.

COOKE CENTENARY CHURCH
11-30—Rev. CASSELLS CORDNER, M.A., and Rev. R. H. PINKERTON, B.A.
7—Rev. R. H. PINKERTON, B.A., and Mr. W. E. DORNAN (Qua Iboe Mission).
All Heartily Welcome.

YORK STREET PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
REV. RUPERT GIBSON, B.A.
7 o'clock—
"HOW CAN I BECOME A CHRISTIAN?"

WOODVALE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
11-30—REV. JOSEPH DAVISON, B.A.
7—MR. R. WILBUR GILLESPIE, B.A.

BERRY STREET PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
11-30 o'clock—
Rev. S. HANNA, B.A., M.B.
7 o'clock—
Mr. H. MAGILL.

FIRST Presbyterian Church, Ballymacarrett, Paulett Avenue, Opposite Mountpottinger Y.M.C.A.—11-30, Rev. ANDREW ORR, B.A. 7-0, PRAISE SERVICE ("Messiah").

MEGAIN MEMORIAL CHURCH.
11-30—Rev. RICHARD HALL, M.A., B.D.
7-0—Rev. R. J. WILSON, M.A., B.D. (Carrickfergus).

TOWNSEND STREET CHURCH.
11-30 and 7—
REV. J. W. JOHNSTON, M.A.

SHUTTING OF THE GATES OF DERRY.
250th ANNIVERSARY.
ANNUAL SERVICE
Under the auspices of the Apprentice Boys of Derry Belfast and District Amalgamated Committee will be held in
TOWNSEND ST. PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (kindly lent for the occasion)
On SUNDAY, 18th DECEMBER, at 3-30 p.m.
Preacher—
BR. REV. DR. J. LITTLE, B.A.,
Assisted by REV. J. W. JOHNSTON.
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GOD SAVE THE KING.

REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, DUBLIN ROAD.
FOREIGN MISSION DAY.
11-30 and 7—Rev. J. A. LYONS, B.A.

CLIFTON STREET, CHURCH OF SCOTLAND.
Rev. GEORGE W. FAWKES (Glasgow).
Morning, 11-30. Evening, 7-0.

CHURCH SERVICES.

CLIFTON STREET CHURCH
(PRESBYTERIAN).
RE-OPENING CONTINUED.
Special Preacher, 11-30—
THE REV. DR. JAMES LITTLE
(Castlereagh).
Special Preacher, 7 p.m.—
THE REV. CASSELLS CORDNER, M.A.
(Cooke Centenary).
Special Music: Mr. JAMES M. BURNS at "Thompson Memorial" Organ.
Anthems by the Church Choir at both Services.
Offerings, please for Improvement Fund.

CRUMLIN ROAD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
11-30 and 7—
REV. W. J. HARRISON.
Evening subject—"Only a Jew."
VISITORS CORDIALLY INVITED.

MOUNTPOTTINGER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (Rev. M. A. THOMPSON).
11-30—"Discipleship Dead or Alive."
7- 0—"JEWISH MIRACLE AND MARTYRDOM."

IRISH EVANGELICAL CHURCH, Knock Upper Newtownards Road, Opposite Cabin Hill.
11-30—Mr. W. J. M'DOWELL.
7- 0—Mr. H. T. COMBE, M.A.
Bible Class and Sabbath School, 3-30.

IRISH EVANGELICAL CHURCH, Botanic Avenue.
11-30—Rev. W. J. GRIER, B.A.
7- 0—Mr. C. H. GARLAND.

IRISH EVANGELICAL CHURCH, Lisburn Road, Opposite Cadogan Park.
11-30—Mr. C. H. GARLAND.
7- 0—Rev. W. J. GRIER, B.A.

IRISH EVANGELICAL CHURCH, Jocelyn Avenue, Castlereagh Road.
11-30—Rev. J. M'CRACKEN.
7- 0—Mr. W. A. SAMPSON.

IRISH EVANGELICAL CHURCH, Crosscollyer Street, off Limestone Road.
11-30—Mr. J. JONES.
7- 0—Rev. J. M'CRACKEN.

IRISH EVANGELICAL CHURCH, Somerton Road, off Skegoneill Avenue.
11-30—Mr. W. HOY.
7- 0—Rev. C. E. HUNTER.

VICTORIA MEMORIAL HALL
MAY STREET.
DR. W. HERON, M.A.
LORD'S DAY at 3-30 p.m.—
"SECRET LIFE AND PUBLIC TESTIMONY."
LORD'S DAY at 7 p.m.—
"PASSING OR PERMANENT INVESTMENT."
TO-NIGHT at 7-45—
"HELP-HEAVENWARD" MEETING.
Speaker—Mr. W. HILL, Sen.
All heartily invited.

HOLBORN HALL, BANGOR.
MR. T. RICHARDSON
(GRANGEMOUTH).
CONTINUES LORD'S DAY (D.V.), 4 o'clock.
Subject:
"ELDERS AND THEIR WORK."
GOSPEL SERVICE 7 o'clock.
Subject:
"JUDGMENT AND HOW TO ESCAPE IT."
Come. You are heartily invited.

MATCHETT STREET HALL.
MEETING ON LORD'S DAY (D.V.).
Speaker: DR. J. GILMOUR WILSON.
4 p.m.—Address to Believers.
Subject—"Gleanings from the Parables of Balaam."
7 p.m.—Gospel Address.
Everybody Heartily Welcome.

OLDPARK GOSPEL HALL.
MR. S. MAWHINNEY and Mr. J. KNOX will (D.V.) preach the Gospel on Lord's Day at 7 p.m. All heartily invited. Come.

EBENEZER GOSPEL HALL, Church Street, Bangor.
MR. FRANK KNOX will (D.V.) preach the Gospel on Lord's Day at 7 p.m., also in Conlig Hall at 4 p.m. All heartily invited.

APSLEY STREET HALL.
MR. D. LEATHEM will (D.V.) preach the Gospel on Lord's Day at 7 o'clock. Open-air Meeting, Shaftesbury Square, at 8-20 p.m. All welcome.

WINDSOR GOSPEL HALL.
MR. J. DIACK (Portadown) and Mr. S. WILSON (Lurgan) will (D.V.) preach the Gospel on Lord's Day at 7. All are welcome.

CENTRAL HALL, BANGOR.
MR. EDGAR will (D.V.) preach the Gospel on Lord's Day Evening at 7 o'clock. All heartily invited.

285a NEWTOWNARDS ROAD GOSPEL HALL.
MESSRS. BELL and KIRK will (D.V.) preach the Gospel on Lord's Day at 7 p.m. All heartily invited.

EBENEZER Gospel Hall, Oldpark Road.—Mr. S. Tugnan and Mr. J. Beattie will (D.V.) preach the Gospel on Lord's Day at 7. Open-air Meeting to-night (Saturday), Gresnam St., 9-15. Come.

BALLYHACKAMORE GOSPEL HALL.
MR. R. FREW (Evangelist) will (D.V.) preach the Gospel on Lord's Day Evening at 7 o'clock. All heartily invited.

KINGSBRIDGE GOSPEL HALL.
THE Gospel will be preached on Lord's Day at 7 p.m. (D.V.) by Mr. S. BUCHANAN and Mr. SMITH. Will you come?

DONEGALL ROAD GOSPEL HALL.
MR. H. BAILIE will (God willing) speak to Believers on Lord's Day at 4 o'clock. He will also preach the Gospel at 7 o'clock. Everyone welcome.

BLOOMFIELD GOSPEL HALL (Woodcot Ave.)
MR. T. JOHNSTON will (D.V.) preach the glorious Gospel on Lord's Day evening at 7 o'clock. Come and welcome.

MARANATHA Gospel Hall, Watson St.—Mr. Frank Gilpin and Mr. Edward Gilpin will (D.V.) preach the Gospel on Lord's Day at 7 p.m. Everybody heartily welcome.

ORMEAU GOSPEL HALL.
MESSRS. WILLIAM MALONE and JOHN WATSON will (D.V.) teach the Gospel on Lord's Day at 7 p.m. Everybody welcome.

FINAGHY KINDERGARTEN SCHOOL.
GOSPEL Service, Lord's Day (D.V.), 7 p.m., by Mr. EDWARD E. RANKIN. Subject: "An Unwilling God." No Meeting on Tuesday Evening next.

ALBERTBRIDGE ROAD GOSPEL HALL. Messrs. Wright and Nixon will (D.V.) preach the Gospel on Lord's Day at 7 p.m. All Welcome.

GLENGORMLEY GOSPEL HALL. The Gospel will (D.V.) be preached in above hall on Lord's Day at 7 by Mr. D. Jemphreys. All Welcome.

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10-0—HIKERS' SERVICE
11-30—Rev. JOHN TRUESDALE.
7-0—Rev. J. W. P. ELLIOTT.
Lunch hour Service, Tuesday, 1-20 to 1-50.

CARLISLE MEMORIAL CHURCH.
11-30 a.m. and 7 p.m.—
REV. JAMES SMYTH, LL.D., D.D.
Morning Subject:
"GAINING A CERTAINTY OF GOD."
Evening Subject—
"IF I COULD HAVE ONE WISH."
Visitors Welcomed.

UNIVERSITY ROAD CHURCH.
11-30 a.m.—Rev. JOHN FLEMING.
7-0 p.m.—Rev. J. R. WESLEY RODDIE.
7 o'clock—
THE "MESSIAH."
Soloists — Miss GERALDINE COSTIGAN (Soprano), Miss MAY GOWDY (Contralto), Mr. WESLEY ERVINE (Tenor), Mr. BERTIE WOODBURNE (Baritone). Organist — Mr. CHARLES LINDOP, A.R.C.M.
Visitors invited.

AGNES ST. METHODIST CHURCH.
11-30 a.m.—REV. ALBERT HOLLAND.
3 p.m.—BROTHERHOOD.
OPEN MONTHLY PRAISE SERVICE
Speaker—REV. W. J. TODD.
Chairman—REV. ALBERT HOLLAND.
Organist—MR. WM. PIERPOINT.
Attractive Musical Programme will be given by the Alpha Male Voice Chair (Conductor, Mr. George Eacott). Soloists—Mrs. W. Alderdice (soprano), Mr. John Ellis (tenor), Masters Stanley Jamison and Roy Ferguson (boy sopranos).
7 p.m.—REV. ALBERT HOLLAND.
Special Christmas Music.
Duets by Mrs. Hipkins and Mrs. M'Cleary.

NEWTOWNARDS RD. METHODIST CHURCH.
RE-OPENING OF ORGAN
Rev. R. M. L. WAUGH, M.A., B.D.
11-30—"A Call to Thanksgiving."
The Te Deum.
7—CHRISTMAS CANTATA
Soloists:—Miss L. KENNY, Miss M. CLARK, Mr. A. DONAGHY, and Mr. G. BOWMAN.
Organist—Mrs. WILLIAMS, L.R.A.M.
8-15—ORGAN and VOCAL RECITAL.
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(OLDPARK ROAD).
OPENING SERVICES CONTINUED.
11-30—Rev. J. N. SPENCE.
7- 0—Rev. A. M'CREA, M.A.
PRAISE SERVICE
at 3-30.
By BELFAST CHORAL UNION
(Deputy Conductor: Mr. S. O'Neill).
Also Miss WINNIE WRIGHT.
The Misses SADIE and KATHLEEN REA,
Mr. NORMAN DOUGLAS.
Accompanist: Miss F. G. Alexander, A.T.C.L.
Speaker—Rev. J. WESLEY M'KINNEY.
Chairman—Councillor J. W. LINDSAY.
Special Offering for Building Fund.

JENNYMOUNT METHODIST CHURCH.
11-30 and 7 p.m.—
REV. W. J. CARSON.
3 p.m.—Mr. W. H. BARRETT.
7-0 p.m.—
B.B. SERVICE.
Next Sunday, Christmas Carol Service.

DUNCAIRN GARDENS METHODIST CHURCH
11-30 o'clock—
Rev. J. WESLEY M'KINNEY.
7-0 o'clock—Excerpts from the
"MESSIAH"
By the CHURCH CHOIR.
Soloists—Miss ETHEL BROWN (Soprano), Miss VERA BROWN (Contralto), Mr. JAMES M'CORMACK (Tenor), Mr. DAVID M'ALPINE (Bass). Organist: Mr. DOUGLAS ARMSTRONG.
All welcome.

ORMEAU ROAD CHURCH.
11-30—Rev. C. H. CROOKSHANK.
6-40—RECITAL of CHRISTMAS ORGAN MUSIC:
Mr. H. H. SCOTT, A.R.C.O.
7 o'clock—
CAROL SERVICE.
SELECTIONS from the "MESSIAH."
Christmas Hymns and Carols.

CREGAGH METHODIST CHURCH.
11-30—Rev. R. WESLEY OLVER.
7- 0—Rev. J. B. JENNINGS.
"The Dayspring."
7-45—CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE.
Programme of Christmas Music, including "MESSIAH."
Choruses by Church Choir.
Special Soloist: Mr. W. H. MILBOURNE.
Offering for Christmas Cheer Fund.
All welcome.

MOUNTPOTTINGER METHODIST CHURCH.
11-30 a.m.—Mr. JAMES DIXON.
3-0 p.m.—Men's Fellowship:
Mr. JAMES DIXON.
Subject: "Glimpses of My Life Story."
7-0 p.m.—CHRISTMAS MUSICAL SERVICE.
Excerpts from the "Messiah."
Rev. R. WESLEY OLVER.
Visitors cordially invited.

SHANKILL ROAD METHODIST CHURCH.
11-30—REV. ALFRED COLLINS.
7—REV. JOHN HART.
CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE.
"MESSIAH" SELECTIONS.
Soloists—Mrs. Baird, Miss J. Williamson, Mrs. Biggart, Mrs. Magee, Mr. W. Mitchell.

WOODVALE METHODIST CHURCH.
11-30—
REV. ERIC GALLAGHER, B.A.
7—CANTATA BY CHURCH CHOIR:
"From Manger to Cross."

NORTH BELFAST MISSION,
PEOPLE'S HALL.
11-30 a.m.—Rev. N. E. MULLIGAN.
7-0 p.m.—Rev. JOHN W. STUTT and Miss NAN EAMES.
Miss EAMES will give an address on her work in North India.
EXCERPTS FROM THE
"MESSIAH"
VISITORS INVITED.

GROSVENOR HALL
11-30—REV. JOHN HART.
3-30
THE "MESSIAH"
Soloists:
MISS EVELYN GIBB
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CHURCH SERVICES.

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SERVICES SUNDAY, 18th DECEMBER.
ULSTER TEMPLE, RAVENHILL ROAD—11-30: Communion. 7-0: Carol Service conducted by the Ulster Crusader Choir. Preacher, PASTOR EDWARD F. COLE.
ELIM TABERNACLE, MELBOURNE STREET—11-30: Communion. 7-0: Revival Service. Preacher, Pastor J. H. M'INNES.
ELIM TABERNACLE, BALLYSILLAN—11-30 and 7-0—Preacher, PASTOR J. NORRIS. Subject: "Herod, that Old Fox."
ELIM TABERNACLE, SAUNDERS STREET—11-30 and 7-0—Preacher, PASTOR GORDON WRIGHT.
ELIM TABERNACLE, BEERSBRIDGE ROAD—11-30 and 7-0—Preacher, PASTOR REA M'CLEAN.
ELIM TABERNACLE, HUNTER STREET—11-30 and 7-0. Special Speaker.
ELIM HALL, BANBRIDGE—11-30 and 7-0—Preacher, PASTOR W. J. MARTIN.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
ROSEMARY STREET.
11-30 a.m. and 7-0 p.m.—
REV. DR. A. L. AGNEW, B.A.
(BELFAST).
CHRISTMAS CAROLS EVENING SERVICE.
VISITORS WELCOME.

ALL SOULS' CHURCH,
ELMWOOD AVENUE.
11-30 o'clock—
REV. W. HOWARD PAYNE.
7 p.m.—CHRISTMAS CANTATA:
"THE STORY OF BETHLEHEM"
(JOHN E. WEST)
Miss I. BROWNLEE (Soprano).
Miss M. CLARKE (Contralto).
Mr. J. DICKSON (Tenor).
Mr. H. SHARPE (Baritone).
Mr. H. MARTIN (Bass).
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THIS WAS THE FOURTH DAY OF HEARING.

SCATTERED JURORS.

There being no jury box in the Chancery Court, the jurors were accommodated partly on the Bench and partly behind the seats allotted to the Press.

THE COURT WAS PACKED, AND THE DUEL BETWEEN MR. ARTHUR BLACK, WHO HAD TO SHOUT HIS LOUDEST AT MRS. BROWNE, THE COMPANION OF MISS ORR, WHO HAD TRAVELLED 8,000 MILES FROM CALIFORNIA TO ATTEND THE COURT, WAS FOLLOWED WITH GREAT INTEREST AND OCCASIONAL BURSTS OF LAUGHTER AS THE INDIGNATION OF THE WITNESS WAS AROUSED BY SHREWD FORENSIC THRUSTS.

KEEN QUESTIONING

The appearances are—The Attorney-General (Mr. E. S. Murphy, K.C., M.P.), Mr. A. Black, K.C., M.P., and Mr. W. Johnson, for Messrs. Fisher & Fisher, the solicitors having carriage, and Mr. Wm. Lowry, K.C., and Mr. C. L. Sheil (instructed by Mr. Joseph Fisher) for Miss Orr.

Answering Mr. Black, Mrs. Browne said that dividend due on December 1 was paid to Mrs. Gordon, who was looking after Miss Orr's affairs while witness was away. Witness had been looking after her affairs with her consent. Witness did not handle all the money. She kept it in a drawer locked up. Miss Orr brought the money in herself from the bank up till she got the stroke, and after that witness brought it by her direction.

Asked what Miss Orr did with the £391, witness said that Miss Orr gave it away to some of her charities. She was always giving.

What came of the £231?—It went to the missionary cause.

What missionary cause?—I don't know. Some of her Presbyterian missionary causes.

And the £2,744? Did you get any of that?—Yes. That is when I was paid the first thousand.

The balance of that money, £200, was given away in charity by Miss Orr.

Witness denied that she said to Mrs. Maheir that there was plenty of money going and she might as well have some. Miss Orr was very charitable and gave money to anyone who asked for it.

Only for you she would have given it all away?—I had no right to stop her giving it. If anybody wrote to her for money she'd give it, and nobody could stop her giving it.

Many a time Miss Orr told her how much money she had.

What money has she to-day?—She has plenty in the bank.

What bank?—I could not tell you. Mr. Fisher was in charge of her affairs after I went to America.

Witness further said that her son supplied the money for her to come from America. He bought her British pounds. She would not live in Greencastle House, neither would Miss Orr, as it was too lonely.

Miss Orr's furniture sold at a third of its value, £85, to a distant cousin, Mrs. Maheir. The money was spent on Miss Orr's keep and clothing.

THE COMMUNION TABLE.

Coming to the Communion table given to the church, witness said the whole thing cost £200. She bought them in Belfast wholesale.

What was the wholesale price?—£67.

You forget the church got plenty of money as well as that. That was the Communion table; if they had to buy it they could not get it for that. She meant the £200 to include the Communion table and accessories and other things as well.

When Miss Orr visited the church to see the Communion table, she said it was beautiful. She felt it all over and said it was grand.

Did Rev. Mr. Martin see that?—Yes, unless he was blind.

"Why should not she take an interest in it when it was her money?" she added.

The Communion table was paid for by witness's cheque, and she got the money from Miss Orr.

Witness said that when she visited sales of work in Kilkeel, she always spent money, and said it was Miss Orr's money.

Rev. Mr. Martin wrote to her about the gift of the Communion service to the church.

"If I went up to Miss Orr's house and asked for money, I would get it, I suppose?" shouted Mr. Black.

Witness—If she thought you were a charity I suppose you might. (Laughter.)

Asked if she expected Miss Orr to be upset after Dr. Nolan's visit, witness said, "She is not the same as when I met her first."

Before witness went to America witness instructed Mrs. Newell, Miss Orr's landlady, not to allow anyone from Greencastle to see her except two or three.

Miss Orr left everything to you?—All except the distribution of her money. She never gave witness any money to do as she liked with.

How much did she give you?—£5,000.

And a bit more?—No. To me and my boys.

"BEST OF PORT AND WHISKY."

Witness noted on the envelopes containing letters she got from Miss Orr while in America the date on which she got them, and sent them to Mr. Fisher, as she thought Miss Orr was of full, sound mind. Miss Orr had a clearer mind than witness for many things.

Handed a letter dated "Wednesday, [illegible] 1938" and a number of envelopes, witness was asked to identify the envelope in which that letter came, and picked one out.

"How does it come that that is the only envelope which you have not dated on the outside?" asked Mr. Black.

Witness said she was not sure.

Further in cross-examination, witness said that Miss Orr took the best of port wine and a little whisky.

And yet she gave Rev. Dr. Johnstone £[illegible]000. (Laughter.)—That was for church extension.

Does she approve of Dr. Johnstone's activities?—Who does? (Laughter.)

Mr. Lowry handed witness a letter written by Miss Orr from the Belfast Nursing Home in which she said, "Hope to get home to-day. Suppose the Orrs have won. In that case it is bad for me. I never see the papers now, so I am in the dark about everything. Come soon and take me home. See you Tuesday next. I am tired of lying on my back. I want to get away from doctors. I will go to a nursing home no more.—With love, Ann."

WHAT WILL REVEALED.

John S. Bright, solicitor, Portadown, said he appeared by subpœna to produce the will of Mrs. Browne, the witness who had just left the box. In it she left the interest of £5,000 War Stock to "My good friend Miss Anna Orr, Greencastle, for her life."

Answering the Attorney-General, witness said the provisions of the will would not operate until after Mrs. Browne's death.

Mrs. Ellen Kenmuir, a nurse, said that Miss Orr took a keen interest in current affairs and used to read the "Belfast Telegraph" and occasionally "The Witness." On one occasion when visiting her she found her reading the "Sunday Companion."

Witness said in answer to the Attorney-General that she found Miss Orr smiling and pleasant after her only brother's death. That was caused by her self-control.

She had seen admirable self control in people in not showing their grief.

Was Miss Orr thoroughly competent?—Yes.

In all respects?—No, she did not understand finance.

Did she ever handle money?—Not except under expert advice.

Had she expert advice if she handled a note?—What kind of a note?

Well, say, a banknote?—She could handle that certainly.

Who gave her financial advice?—Mr. Fisher or Mrs. Browne.

KILKEEL WITNESS.

Mrs. Isabella Gordon, Kilkeel, said she had known Miss Orr for seven years, and witness brought her on September 5 last to Mrs. Newell's to live. Prior to that witness had made inquiries to find a place for her. It had been suggested that Miss Orr should go to her niece at Lisburn, but she would not go there at all. After Miss Orr went to Mrs. Newell's, Miss Orr gave her a few pounds to pay her keep for her, and Miss Orr said that she wanted to have no money if anyone called with her. Witness got the interest on the £5,000 war loan, and the letting of the land money for Miss Orr. Witness paid Mrs. Newell £2 a week for boarding and looking after Miss Orr.

Witness said that Mrs. Newell was the most suitable person in Kilkeel to look after an old lady. Witness saw Miss Orr every day almost, except for an interval between September 29 and October 6, when she went to London. Meantime, "all this business" had happened, and she found Miss Orr on her return nervous and upset. It was witness introduced the ear trumpet to Miss Orr, but everyone could not use it.

Asked about what Miss Orr read, witness said she used to read "Treasure Island," and the "Virginians," and lots of books like that. I took her, said the witness, the other day "The Wide, Wide World," and she said she liked it very much indeed, and that she is half-ways through it.

Miss Orr was also interested in current affairs, especially the Germans and the Jews. She had complained about doctors visiting her.

"DID NOT LIKE LOVE STORIES."

The Attorney-General—She liked girls' school stories?—Yes; but she did not like love stories.

School girls' stories are rather childish?—Not at all. I read them myself.

"Everybody is normal to a certain degree," said the witness later in the cross-examination. "I would describe her intelligence as quite normal."

Do you say this lady's intelligence was as bright as yours?—Some ways brighter, some ways not.

Miss Orr was always as alert as a deaf person could be. Witness never inquired about Miss Orr's mind or money until she came to court. Her husband had benefited under Mr. Moore Orr's will and she had bought head rents at £150.

Witness did not know who was looking after Miss Orr's personal money. She knew that Miss Orr was a wealthy woman.

Did you ever see her handle any money?—Yes, she gave me £30 the time she was going to Mrs. Newell's.

Miss Orr asked witness to keep her money as she wanted to tell people she had no money if they asked her for it.

Witness admitted that she heard about the bequests to Rev. Dr. Johnstone, to Mourne Presbyterian Church, and to Mrs. Browne and her family. It was Mrs. Browne told her.

And you tell me you don't know who was managing Miss Orr's money?—It was Mrs. Browne and Mr. Joe Fisher.

Did you think that?—If I thought about it at all. I had other things to think about.

Mr. Lowry—You have confessed to reading girls' school stories. What were you before you were married?—A kindergarten inspector of schools.

THE MAKING OF THE WILL.

J. Dunville Coates, solicitor, Belfast, said he was introduced to Miss Orr by Mr. Alexander Dalzell, who was now in India, in June, 1935. He produced instructions given by Miss Orr to witness for the inspection of the Commissioner and jury. The instructions had been written out before they came to him.

Mr. Lowry said he would prove that Mr. Dalzell was an old friend of Mr. J. Moore Orr.

Witness said that he prepared a will from the instructions, and sent her a draft of it.

On June 19, 1935, he got a reply from Miss Orr making certain alterations in the will. The will was afterwards executed in witness's presence and that of his assistant, who was also a qualified solicitor.

Answering Mr. Black, witness said that Miss Orr was rather deaf, and he had to shout at her. She revealed that she had a substantial estate to dispose of. There was no talk of substantial gifts being made in her lifetime, and until the case opened he had not heard of them. Witness made the lady's will on written instructions. He saw her on two occasions for 15 minutes each time.

Mrs. Alice Newell, Kilkeel, said she kept summer boarders. Before her marriage she had been a lady's maid and had travelled a good deal. In June last Mrs. Gordon came to her to get rooms for Miss Orr, who was a stranger to her. Witness could not take her in until September 5. Mrs. Gordon made the bargain as to price and Mrs. Browne came afterwards.

She thought the description of her rooms as "poor" was wrong as she had clergymen staying with her who were visited by Rev. Mr. Martin.

SAW NO SIGNS OF INSANITY.

Witness saw no signs of insanity about Miss Orr, who was very deaf and witness had difficulty in conversing with her at first. Miss Orr was always very interested in the newspapers and especially about the persecution of the Jews by the Germans and any law cases that were going on.

On the occasion the nieces visited Miss Orr the old lady said not to admit them again after they left. They returned with two doctors and she was told that by the Court order she was bound to let them see her. One of the ladies said that Miss Orr was being kept there a prisoner. Witness denied that. One of the ladies wanted it in writing and Miss Orr wrote a note to say that she did not want to see them.

Witness brought the lady out on to the landing from her room and Dr. Nolan crept up the stairs and looked at her, but did not speak. Miss Orr was put about and was taken into her room. Dr. Nolan said that he had the authority of the Lord Chief Justice to see Miss Orr though at that time he had not.

"I told him said witness that Miss Orr was no more mental than he was himself," added the witness.

On October 8 Dr. Nolan and Dr. Randall visited Miss Orr by the authority of the Court. Afterwards Mr. Fisher and Miss Fisher called and served a document on Miss Orr which upset her very much. She said to witness, "It is a terrible thing; I do not know why the Lisburn people should do that on me.

Asked what she meant by Dr. Nolan creeping up the stairs, witness said that he came up quietly. Witness never saw Miss Orr with any money while in her house. She agreed Miss Orr was a lady who would give money to anyone who asked her.

She would give money away foolishly?—I suppose so.

More than some of us would do?—Surely. (Laughter.)

NIECE OF REV. DR. M'MORDIE.

Miss Ann Sinclair M'Mordie, niece of the late Rev. Dr. M'Mordie, Mourne Presbyterian Church and a teacher retired from Victoria College, Belfast, said she knew Miss Orr for over 40 years. Miss Orr was deaf in her early days, but not nearly so bad as in later years. Witness's mother had helped to educate Miss Orr. Her uncle, Dr. M'Mordie, thought she wanted it, and witness's mother was her teacher. Witness used to go and see Miss Orr at Greencastle and saw her in June last. So far as witness could see Miss Orr understood her.

In November last witness called to see Miss Orr again, when Miss Orr seemed very well except that she was distressed about legal matters. Miss Orr said that the nieces were trying to prove she was of unsound mind.

Answering Mr. Black—She would not say that Miss Orr remained with a childish brain. "My mother used to say," said the witness, "that Anna can read my very thoughts."

Witness heard from Miss Orr that she had received a considerable sum from her brother, the doctor, but did not know how she had disposed of it.

She would require some guidance in the disposal of her money?—Any woman does.

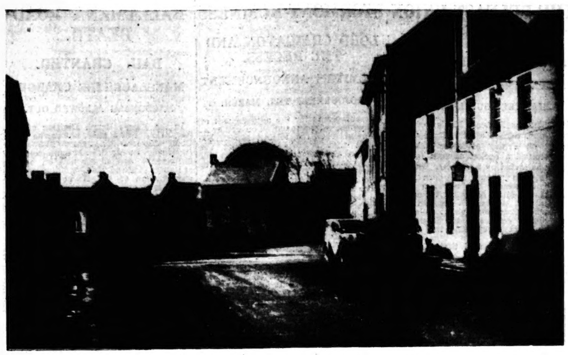
Re-examined, witness said that in letters Miss Orr would always refer to "My good friend Mrs. Browne."

To the Commissioner—She knew the Greencastle home, which was plainly furnished. It was lonely for Miss Orr after her brother's death. The Kilkeel lodgings were better.

At a quarter past four the Commissioner said he would go on if the jury wished. The case was dragging on too long.

The Foreman of the jury said that they would not hear any more if the case would not finish that evening. If they started earlier on Monday morning it might suit.

The further hearing was adjourned until 10 o'clock on Monday morning.



NEWTOWNHAMILTON, CO. ARMAGH.

BALLINAMALLARD'S NEW SCHOOL.

CONSTRUCTION COST £3,480.

MINISTRY AND THE PLANS.

County Fermanagh Regional Education Committee on Friday received from the Ministry of Education sanction to the plans which had been sent to them a short time ago, for the proposed new school to replace the two existing schools in the village of Ballinamallard. The Ministry stated the cost of construction (£3,480) was reasonable.

The secretary (Mr. J. J. Maguire) inquired if he would be instructed to follow the usual procedure of asking the County Council to apply for a loan.

The chairman (Hon. C. Lowry-Corry, J.P.) and the other members agreed to this course being followed.

TO COMMAND 2ND GORDONS.

The War Office announces that Major W. J. Graham, M.C., the Gordon Highlanders, has been selected for command of the 2nd Battalion the Gordon Highlanders vice Lieut.-Colonel G. T. Burney, M.C., whose tenure expired on December 16.

ANGLO-EIRE TRADE AGREEMENT.

"UNFAIR TO ULSTER."

FINANCE MINISTER CRITIC.

"ONE-SIDED AND UNJUST."

The Anglo-Eire Trade Agreement was criticised as being unfair to Northern Ireland at a luncheon to mark the "birthday" of the Ulster Development Council, held in the Grand Central Hotel, Belfast.

The work of the Council was reviewed by Senator Sir Roland Nugent, D.L., chairman of the Council, at a luncheon to the leaders of business enterprises set up under the provisions of the New Industries (Development) Act (N.I.).

The guests included the Lord Mayor (Sir Crawford M'Cullagh, Bart.), the Rt. Hon. J. M. Andrews, D.L., Minister of Finance; Sir Basil Brooke, Bart., Minister of Agriculture, and Mr. John F. Gordon, Minister of Labour.

"Prosperity to Northern Ireland" was the toast entrusted to the Lord Mayor, who mentioned that it was the birthday of the Council. The most important matter at the present time was to give employment. To-day things were better than a year ago. Of course there were "Dismal Johnnies" who looked on the black side of things, but he always looked on the bright side.

Sir Crawford added that the recent trade agreement with America had to a large extent solved the problem as far as the linen industry was concerned. The past year had been a time of uncertainty, but better times were ahead. Another bright feature was the establishment of Messrs. Short & Harland's Aircraft Factory, which at present employed 6,000 hands, and would shortly employ an additional 2,000.

MR. ANDREWS AND LONDON PACT.

The Anglo-Eire Trade Agreement was described as one-sided as far as Ulster was concerned by Mr. Andrews in replying to the toast.

Mr. Andrews prefaced his remarks by saying that they must realise that real and enduring prosperity could not exist unless it was based on the security of world-wide, well-established peace. (Applause.)

The agreement, he said, with the U.S.A. would help the linen trade to an appreciable extent.

Mr. Andrews added that he would like to refer to an agreement entered into about a year ago between Great Britain and Eire. He reminded them that he was not referring to it from a political point of view but from an industrial aspect.

"It seems to me very strange indeed that those who are most insistent in their demand for the constitution and Parliamentary divisions which exist in Ireland to be abolished are the very people that are equally insistent that the tariff boundary should be maintained between Eire, as it is now called, and this Ulster of ours."

That agreement, he proceeded, set out that while the produce of manufacturers in Northern Ireland and the farming community would be taxed when entering the Free State, their goods would come into Ulster and also into other parts of the United Kingdom free.

"A more one-sided, unjust and improper argument I think it would be very difficult to find," he commented amidst applause.

"It seems to me," added Mr. Andrews, "that the sooner a change takes place in that connection the better for all concerned." (Hear, hear.)

That agreement, he added, was detrimental to Ulster in particular, and he felt they should not rest content until that arrangement was altered. (Applause.)

It was necessary in the interests of Ulster industries that if they (Eire) were to enjoy free trade in Ulster markets Ulster should be in the same position in the markets of the world. (Applause.)

"I not only desire that this part of the United Kingdom should be prosperous but that the whole of Ireland and our great Empire should also be prosperous," he added amidst applause.

SIR R. NUGENT.

Sir Roland, in proposing the toast "Our New Industries," said the luncheon marked the end of the first year of the working of the Council, set up by the Minister of Commerce to make known both Ulster's natural facilities for industrial development and also those extensive financial advantages provided by the New Industries (Development) Act. Before dealing with the industrial aspects of the development he wanted to offer a personal welcome to the two gentlemen who are down to respond to the toast. Mr. James Duff was here in a double role. "To-day we must give pride of place to his activities as a manufacturer, who for the first time has introduced into Northern Ireland the making of veneer plywood. But he is also specially welcome as vice-president of the Ulster industries Development Association, which, during its nine years existence under Mr. Duff's predecessor, Mr. James Cleland, has provided Ulster with numerous industrial contacts, the value of which is likely to become increasingly important in the light of the opportunities provided by our own special Act." (Applause.)

They had also with them Mr. W. H. Nithsdale, director of the newly formed Ulster Solvents Company, Ltd.—a venture which they hoped would provide a basis for an expanding range of other industrial activities based on the alcohol which it would produce. The firm which he represented was likely to become the biggest industrial unit, in terms of factory employment, of those so far established. (Applause.)

TURNING TO TAKE STOCK.

"Turning now to take stock of the actual results of the first year's working of the New Industries (Development) Act, we are bound, I think, to recognise that the year itself has been far from propitious as a period of industrial progress. I will not go into political history, because there is no need to tell a meeting of business men that 1938 has been a year of excursions and alarms, calculated to afford little encouragement except to the armaments industry."

In spite of that unpromising background, the Council at its meeting that morning received a report showing that no fewer than 27 new enterprises had been set up with the help of the Act, providing employment, when in full production, for a number of workers estimated at 3,625. Of these, factory employment would account for 2,345; while an additional 1,280 would be enabled to earn money in their own homes. (Applause.)

When they compared the figures of newly-planned employment with the figures of the great armaments factories being set up across the Channel, 3,500 may not look a very big figure, but there are two or three things to be remembered in that connection in judging its real meaning. In the first place, the figure related only to the direct employment planned; it made no references to the building operations or to the transport involved, or, above all, to the effect on local trade of the additional purchasing power which it represented. There was the further point that all the industries set up so far in Ulster were desirable in themselves, as producing commodities of real value to the consumer or to industry. In comparing that employment with the much more formidable figures for armaments works in other parts of the Kingdom, they hoped that the sort of employment they had been creating here would be more permanent than some of the other employment to which he had referred.

WHAT IMPRESSED COUNCIL.

One of the first things that impressed itself on the mind of the Council was the readiness with which Ulster manufactures could be marketed to the great populations of Scotland, the North of England and the Midlands. The possibilities were not as widely appreciated as they should be, even here. Too many people were impressed by the obvious problems involved when raw material had to be brought from Great Britain and the finished goods sold back to her. Yet there were men sitting here to-day who are profitably selling their goods to Glasgow, Manchester, Birmingham and London on the very doorsteps of their competitors. That success, for which Ulster owed them gratitude, was due to hard thinking and a willingness to depart from the customary routine of their respective trades. (Applause.)

Sir Roland added that it showed that there was no justification for any sort of defeatism when it came to weighing up the industrial possibilities of Ulster, compared with those of other parts of the Kingdom. Ulster had reason to appreciate the Government's action in putting that Act upon the Statue Book.

"One final point I should not like to sit down without referring to the developing activities of the Northern Ireland Agent in Great Britain. Although he has been in action only a few weeks, Sir James Cooke-Collis has already made a success of this new appointment—so much so that opinion in Scotland and Wales is moving towards the establishment of similar representation in London."

Mr. James Duff, J.P., responding to the toast, said he was glad to hear the Chairman's reference to the London Office and to the extremely successful start which it had made. It was quite clear that the London Office had already settled down to do a practical job in a practical way and from the point of view of this particular luncheon with its industrial background, perhaps the most satisfactory feature of its success was that direct representation of Ulster had already succeeded in obtaining contracts for execution here, which would otherwise have been lost. (Applause).

Mr Duff added that there were too many organisations in regard to industrial development, and what they wanted to do was to try and draw the organisations together and couple them up closely.

Mr. E. A. Lyack, of Nestle's Milk Products, Ltd., Ballymoney, also responded.

Sir Joseph M'Connell, Bart., D.L., M.P., gave the toast of "The Chairman," which was duly acknowledged.

NEW POST IN INDIA.

IRISHMAN'S APPOINTMENT

AS POLITICAL ADVISER.

The India Office announce the Marquis of Linlithgow, the Viceroy of India, has created a post of Political Adviser to the Crown Representative. The post, in the first instance, will be temporary and for a period of two years.

Sir Bertrand James Glancy, at present Secretary to the Crown Representative, who is a native of Castlerea, is to be the first incumbent of the new post.

OLDPARK UNIONISTS.

IMPORTANCE OF IMPERIAL DEFENCE.

The monthly meeting of the Baden Powell Polling Station of the Oldpark Unionist Association was held in the Unionist Hall, Avoca Street, Mr. Joseph Ritchie in the chair. Miss N. Kinghan, the organising secretary of the Ulster Women's Unionist Council, gave a most interesting address on national and Imperial defence.

Miss Kinghan said that at the Imperial Conference, 1933, three principles of Imperial defence were laid down—defence of Britain, defence of Empire territories, and defence of communications and trade routes. It was of the utmost importance to defend Britain, because if anything happened to these islands the Empire would collapse. Home defence depended mainly on the Royal Air Force and the Territorial Army. Since 1935 the personnel of the R.A.F. has been doubled and the Territorials increased from 4,500 to 70,000. Defence of the Empire territories and trade routes, which was a very vital question, falls upon the Navy and the regular Army.

The Government has made tremendous strides with their defence programme, but every citizen must also play his or her part in the defence of the country either by doing their A.R.P. training or through the new national register which will shortly come into force, for only by being fully prepared could they achieve the strength and natural unity which was the greatest factor for world peace.

Tea was served by the Ladies' Committee, and a very enjoyable programme was gone through, the following taking part:—Mr. Robinson, humorous song and dance; Miss Berry, tap dancing; Miss Moore, recitation. Mrs. Jones presided at the piano.

Several new members were proposed for admission. A vote of thanks to Miss Kinghan was ably proposed by Mr. J. Kane, seconded by Mr. J. Reid. Mr. J. Reid proposed a vote of thanks to the artists and tea-makers, seconded by Mr. Brown, vice-chairman.

BRITISH MARKETS.

NEWS FROM MANY CENTRES.

HOW PRICES RULED YESTERDAY.

CLYDE CRUSHED SUGAR (Official Report)—Market steady at Thursday's advanced prices.

BILLINGSGATE FISH—Trade generally quiet with fair supplies on offer and prices about steady. Soles 1s 4d to 1s 8d, slips 1s to 1s 8d, lobsters 1s 6d to 2s 6d, crabs 2d to 1s—per lb.; doreys 7s, turbot 7s to 16s, brill 7s to 11s, plaice 7s to 13s, halibut 8s to 16s, lemon soles 10s to 19s, witches 10s to 12s, cod 3s 6d to 5s, whiting 2s 6d to 5s, hake 8s to 13s, flake dogfish 3s to 5s, haddocks 3s to 6s, skate wings 5s 6d to 8s, wings 7s to 10s, English fresh herrings 2s to 6s, Scotch 3s 6d to 5s—per stone; live eels 12s to 28s, dead 6s to 20s—per draught; bloaters 3s to 6s, kippers 2s to 6s 6d—per box; oysters, natives, Whitstable 32s to 46s, Pyefleet 37s to 65s, Dutch 15s to 40s—per 100; periwinkles, Irish 10s to 14s, Scotch 12s to 16s—per cwt.; shrimps 1s 6d to 3s per gallon.

FLEETWOOD FISH.—Dabs 36s, coalfish 20s, cod 42s, sprags 36s, codling 43s, conger 24s, dogfish 20s, gurnard 15s, haddock 44s, hake 96s, ling 20s, megrims 58s, monkfish 16s, plaice 118s, pollack 24s, roker 60s, skate 46s, whiting 30s—per ten stone; soles 26s, brill 10s, turbot 14s, halibut 16s—per stone.

GRIMSBY FISH.—Supply and demand fair. Soles 1s 9d, turbot 1s 4d, brill 1s 1d—per lb.; best plaice 10s to 12s, lemon soles 21s, whitings 4s, cod 4s 6d, codlings 3s, hake 15s, small haddocks 5s, medium 5s 6d, gibbed 6s 6d, large dabs 13s, small 5s, dogfish 4s, skate 9s, roker 9s, ling 4s—per stone.

LONDON PRODUCE—Sugar: spot unaltered, raws steady, 96 per cent., December-January sellers 6s 1½d, terminal irregular, March sold 6s 1½d, May 6s 1d, August 6s 1½d, December 6s 1½d. Cocoa quiet, terminal September sold 23s. Pepper steady. Jute firmer, firsts December-January sellers £19 7s 6d; slow. Shellac inactive. Copra steady. Rubber quiet, sheet spot sold 8d. Linseed oil steady, spot 25s 3d, February to April 22s 7½d. Turpentine quiet, American spot 32s 3d, January-April 32s 9d. Linseed steady, Plate December £11, Calcutta ditto £12 12s 6d, Bombay £12 15s.

LONDON CORN (Opening)—Prices easier; wheat easier. No. 1 Northern Manitoba (Vancouver ex-ship 28s 3d. Flour quiet, London Straight Run 23s delivery Home Counties, 22s 6d inner London area. Maize steady, Plate landed 28s 6d. Barley quiet, No. 3 Canadian Western (Atlantic) landed 23s 9d. Oats quiet, No. 3 Canadian Western (Atlantic) landed 18s 9d.

Closing—Trade moderate. Wheat easier, No. 2 Northern Manitoba (Vancouver) ex-ship 27s 3d. Flour quiet, London Straight Run 23s Home Counties, 22s 6d inner London, excluding 6s quota. Maize steady, Plate landed 28s 6d. Barley dull, Californian exstore 36s to 45s. Oats quiet; No. 3 Canadian Western (Atlantic) landed 18s 9d.

LONDON POTATO—Trade proceeds on quiet lines, with supplies in excess of requirements. Lincoln King Edwards 5s to 5s 3d, Kidneys 3s 9d to 4s, Cambridge dark soil King Edwards 5s, Loon Star also Majestic 3s 9d, Essex Ninetyfolds Kidneys also Eclipse 3s 9d, Kent Ninetyfolds 3s 9d—per cwt.

LIVERPOOL PRODUCE (First Report)—Cane sugar firm. Cocoa—West African spot steady but slow, forward shipments quiet and barely steady. Coffee—Quiet trading, but parcels firmly held on spot. Rice dull. Linseed quietly steady. Palm oil steady but idle. Tallow—South American No. 1 Frigorific idle. Palm kernels steady and quiet. Rubber—Hard fine Para steady at 7½d to 7¾d spot and forward. Linseed oil quiet. Resin quiet and steady. Petroleum oil steady. Turpentine quietly steady. Ground nuts firm; decorticated Coromandels quoted £10 6s 3d December-January shipments.

Second Report—Cane sugar steady. Cocoa—West African spot steady but idle; forward shipments dull; rather easier; sellers G.F. Accra 20s 9d December-February also January-March, 21s 6d March-April, buyers 3d to 6d less c.i.f. Continent. Coffee firm but quiet on spot. Rice dull, and barely steady. Linseed rather firmer; River Plate quoted £11 2s 6d December shipment. Palm oil dull. Tallow firm but quiet to U.K. Palm kernels steady, quiet demand. Rubber—Hard fine Para steady at 7½d to 7¾d spot and forward; plantation quiet, buyers spot 8d, January-March 8 1-16d. Linseed oil quietly steady. Resin in quiet demand. Petroleum steady. Turpentine quiet and steady. Ground nuts quietly steady; decorticated Coromandels quoted £10 3s 9d December-January shipments. Lard quiet; boxes 45s 6d to 47s 6d.

LIVERPOOL CORN—Wheat quiet and little altered. Flour firm; fair inquiry; unchanged; Straight Run 21s ex-mill. Maize quiet, American yellow 5s 11½d, River Plate 6s. Oats quiet; English white new 6s to 6s 3d. Oatmeal quiet. Barley quiet; Russian 22s 6d to 23s. Bran thirds steady; fair demand.

LIVERPOOL PROVISIONS—Fowls 7½d to 8d, chickens 1s to 1s 1d.

BIRKENHEAD CATTLE—A larger supply of cattle was generally short of finish for the time of year, and with fewer buyers operating the demand was poor for all classes. Choice small bullocks and heifers made 6½d to 7d. A few small show cattle were at 7½d, best medium-weight 6½d to 6¾d, heavy and secondary classes 6¼d to 6½d, young cows 4½d to 5d, aged sorts 3½d to 4d, young bulls 5d; other classes 4d. Lambs also in larger supply met a weaker trade. Best small weights made 8½d to 9d, heavier 8½d—all prices per lb. sinking the offal. The week's supplies were 2,230 cattle and 3,691 lambs.

CLEVELAND IRON—Market steady and optimistic in tone. Extensive business unlikely until after the holidays, but the volume of trade expected to expand appreciably early in the New Year. Disposable tonnage of Cleveland pig light. Output still irregular and meagre, and stocks down to near as low a level as considered advisable to carry. With prospect of increased demand, early enlargement of production seems essential. Tonnage accumulations of East Coast hematite substantial and still slightly increasing, but not inconveniently large. Consumers' needs in the near future expected to more than absorb the make. Manufacturers of semi-finished and finished iron and steel confidently hope to restart early next year idle plant, some of which has been inactive since the spring.

DUBLIN CORN.—Supplies were offered more freely, with choice samples quietly steady. Poor quality neglected. Wheat 27s 6d to 30s 6d, barley 15s to 17s 9d, white oats 12s to 13s 9d, and black 10s 6d to 11s 3d, according to quality.

GLASGOW CORN—No. 1 Manitoba wheat 28s 9d. Plate maize unchanged, 6s 6d spot and forward. Grinding barley steady; 6s 1½d spot, 6s 3d forward. Home mill offals unchanged; demand steady; supplies not over plentiful. First grade Australian flour nominal, 20s per 280lbs. ex store plus quota.

GLASGOW IRON AND STEEL.—Scrap metals—The market remains quiet and unaltered.

IRISH FAIRS.

DUNKINEELY (Co. Donegal).—Springers £13 to £16; milch cows £10 to £12; beef cattle £15 to £17; three-year-old bullocks and heifers £11 10s to £13 10s; two-year-olds £9 10s to £11 10s; 18-months-old £7 to £9; calves £2 10s to £3 10s; sheep £1 to £1 10s; young pigs £1 10s to £2; donkeys £1 10s to £2 10s.

£10 FINE: LICENCE SUSPENSION

ON DRUMBO MOTORIST.

NEWTOWNBREDA COURT CASES.

At Newtownbreda Petty Sessions yesterday, before Mr. J. C. Austin, R.M., District-Inspector M'Kinley summoned James Kelsey, Drumbo, for being drunk in charge of a car at Breda on November 30.

Defendant was also summoned under the usual counts for dangerous driving.

After hearing evidence, Mr. Austin said he would like to say how much he appreciated the witness who had come forward in this case. By such action motorists were assisting in making the roads safer for other motorists as well as themselves. Motorists who reported the "black sheep" on the road were doing a great service.

Fining defendant £10, with £4 3s 6d costs, and suspending his licence for 12 months, Mr. Austin made an order that the amount be paid at £2 a month.

Paul M'Larnon, Crumlin Road, Belfast, was summoned on the usual counts for the driving of a car on December 4, and also with not having a driving licence.

Mr. R. F. Sheldon defended.

Rev. Walter Kerr said he was driving a car and when he came near to a barrier on the road he saw a policeman who gave him the signal to come on. At the same time the policeman put his hand up to stop another car coming in the opposite direction. At the last moment this other car was coming straight for him and he thought there was going to be a collision.

Replying to Mr. Sheldon, witness said it did not occur to him to pull into the wide entrance and allow the car to pass because he had been given a signal from the policeman and the car came up so quickly and struck his car.

Constable Maginess gave evidence of giving a signal and of putting out his hand to stop the on-coming motor-car, which did not seem to slow down or stop.

"THOUGHT THERE WAS ROOM."

Defendant said he was travelling about 35 m.p.h. On coming to the barrier he slowed down and thought there was room for both cars to pass. When he saw the policeman he applied his brakes but struck the other car slightly.

Mr. Sheldon said his client was driving some passengers from a funeral in one of his father's private cars, which he was using for the purpose. He was of the opinion that his p.s.v. licence covered him.

Defendant was fined 40s and costs, the summons being reduced to one of driving to the danger of the public; and 5s and costs for not having a proper licence.

Bernard M'Larnon, owner of the car, who was summoned for permitting the offence, was fined 2s 6d and costs.

Daniel Orr, Ravensdene Street, Belfast, was fined £5 and costs for keeping a greyhound for, as alleged, the destruction of game.

Robert M'Dowell said he lived at Braniel and on Sunday, October 30, he saw two greyhounds chasing a hare.

Constable Murray (Dundonald) said defendant denied being in the field and that his dog chased the hare.

Captain M'Kinley, District-Inspector, said there was a previous similar conviction against defendant, when he was fined £20, mitigated to £5.

Defendant was given one month in which to pay the fine.

MASTIFF ATTACKS GIRL.

AND BITES HER IN THROAT.

Miss Lucy Bakewell, aged 18, of Leicester, was attacked and bitten on the throat on Friday afternoon by a bull mastiff which she bought about two months ago.

Her father hearing screams rushed into the kitchen and found her lying on the floor just out of reach of the dog, which was tied to a mangle. She was taken to the infirmary, where her wounds were dressed, after which she was allowed to go home.

The dog was afterwards destroyed.

MME. SKOBLINE TO APPEAL.

PARIS, Friday.—Mme. Skobline, wife of the missing White Russian General Skobline, who was sentenced on Wednesday to 20 years' imprisonment for complicity in the kidnapping of General de Miller, the head of the White Russian Organisation in France, is to appeal against the sentence.—Central News.

HON. CHAPLAINS TO THE KING.

The War Office announces that his Majesty the King has been pleased to approve the appointment of the Rev. Herman Francis Stanley Collier, M.A., Chaplain to the Forces, 1st Class, Royal Army Chaplains' Department, and the Rev. William Maurice Allan Farren, M.A., Chaplain to the Forces, 1st Class, Royal Army Chaplains' Department, to be honorary chaplains to his Majesty.

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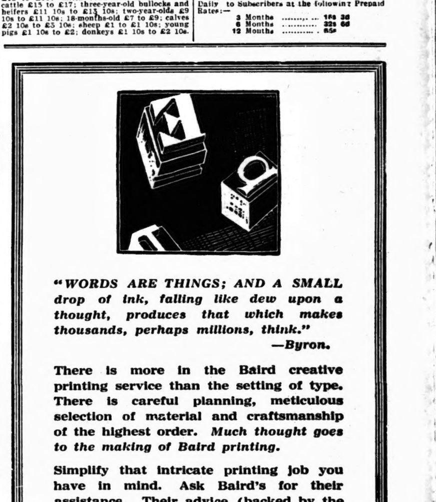

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FRENCH GENERAL LEAVES PRAGUE.

COUNTRIES' ASSOCIATION

HAS COME TO AN END.

PRAGUE, Friday.—General Louis Faucher, chief of the French Military Mission in Czecho-Slovakia, left Prague to-day, and with his departure the 20 years' long military co-operation between the two countries came to an end.

The remainder of the Military Mission is to be dissolved.

Moving scenes characterised the departure of the French General, who with tears in his eyes kissed the flag of Czecho-Slovakia and took leave of General Syrovy, Minister of Defence; General Krejci, and M. Zenkl, Burgomaster of Prague.—Exchange.

MR. HORE BELISHA AND POPE.

PAYS A WARM TRIBUTE.

AMONG NOBLEST MEN OF AGE.

A tribute to the Pope, whom he described as "among the noblest men of his age" was paid by Mr. Hore-Belisha, the Minister for War, when he opened an extension of the Notre Dame High School, Plymouth.

"Other faiths besides the Roman Catholic faith are under a debt to-day to the Pope and some of the princes of your Church," he said, "and whatever gratitude I can command I would desire to express it to you most reverently.

"Every age has known its martyrs and every age has produced its great men, and among the noblest men of this age is the Head of your Church.

"Contrary to the common adage, there are moments when silence is silver and speech is golden."

HASTE TO GET MARRIED.

GERMAN GIRLS IN HOLLAND.

AMSTERDAM, Friday.—Owing to a report from Berlin that German servant girls abroad are to be recalled home, hundreds of them employed in Holland are hurrying to the registrar offices in Amsterdam, The Hague, and other towns with a view to expediting their marriages to Hollanders. The Government has stated that in no case will permission to work be given to Jewish refugees desirous of replacing girls recalled to Germany.

NEWCASTLE SESSIONS.

MOTOR AND DOLE CASES.

At Newcastle Petty Sessions yesterday, before Mr. S. C. Clarke, R.M., Thomas Taggart, Lisbane, Downpatrick, was summoned for driving a lorry carelessly on November 17 at Clough, and also with having faulty brakes.

It was stated that on meeting 12 sheep owned and driven by E. J. Baillie, Clough, he ran into and killed three of them.

The defendant said the sheep turned straight back across the road, giving him no chance to avoid them.

On the brake summons he was fined 20s and 30s 6d costs.

Patrick J. Rogan, labourer, Knocksticken, Clough, was fined 5s and 53s costs for falsely representing that he was unemployed on August 14.

Mr. W. A. F. Martin, Crown solicitor, prosecuting, said that defendant got no money wrongfully, the detection being made too soon.

William J. Davidson, Knockbracken, Newtownbreda, who was defended by Mr. A. J. Belford (instructed by Mr. H. J. Catchpole) was fined 20s and 37s costs for careless motoring at Seaford on October 17.

Robert Keown, Moyadd, was fined 20s and 4s costs because, as the result of a police test on November 19 at Dundrum, it took 75 yards to pull up his vehicle at a low speed.

TABLE TENNIS AT AUGHER.

A table tennis tournament under the auspices of Augher Parish Club was held in the Carmichael Memorial Hall, Augher, on Thursday evening. The prizewinners were:—Mrs. Creanor, Ballygawley; Miss Ruby Gallagher, Clogher; Mr. John M'Sorley, captain of Clogher Club; Mr. Thos. Shepherd, Clogher.

Mrs. Stewart, St. Mark's Rectory, Augher, distributed the prizes at the close.

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PARCELS FOR HOME OF CHRISTMAS.

POSTAGE A HANDICAP.

BOOKS, PAPERS, MAZAGINES

SURE OF A WARM WELCOME.

Sir,—Recently an appeal appeared in the "Telegraph" for books, papers, and magazines for the British soldiers in Palestine, especially for our own Battalion, the R.U.R.'s, the appeal being made by the C. of E. chaplain at Tiberias. Previously a similar one was made by the C.F. at Nablus Fort, Nablus, in which he stated that many of the boys were very lonely, bands of them being in isolated villages.

It seems rather pathetic that at a time like this when people are fussing about food for Spain, refugees, etc., our own boys should be neglected like this. I for one can promise a share of books, etc., if some place of deposit could be arranged, as I expect large quantities could be got out more reasonably. Postage is very dear, so that while many of us could collect books, the postage would be beyond our pockets. Perhaps the Irish Rifles Association, or some similar interested parties could suggest a means, and many people would, if once given a lead, do their bit.

My own son, who is serving with the Ulsters' is kept well supplied, his wife gamely doing the job well. But he writes: "Many of the boys never have had one parcel since we came out a year ago." There are many things that the boys would be grateful for I know, such as pull-overs to keep them warm, not forgetting cakes.

It is well-known now that the Ulsters have kept the frontier since July last, but it is not generally known that the climate there is very bad, and that the troops are living in camps till the huts are finished. They are away in the wilds, no games or sport, that for the boys who "swept the decks" at Bisley a few years ago.—Yours, etc., G.H.M.

CITY CENTRE TRAFFIC IDEA.

Sir,—I would like to suggest that on Saturdays (and Christmas Eve), from six p.m. until ten p.m., Ann Street, Arthur Square, Corn Market, Church Lane and North Street be closed to private motor car traffic, thus enabling Mr. and Mrs. Belfast and family to do their shopping in comparative comfort and safety on the one night of the week on which they are in a position to do so. I am of opinion that there is little necessity for the weekly parade of private cars in these thoroughfares, as most of the owners of these vehicles can do their shopping by using the Corporation trams on Saturday night, thus benefiting the city finances and saving the tax upon their nerves and patience, which I am sure must be very severe while endeavouring to steer their cars through the crowds.—Yours,

"PEDESTRIAN."

CATS-OFF CLOTHING.

Sir,—For some years now you have been good enough to publish for us an appeal for cast-off clothing. This year the need is as great as ever, and we would be grateful if parcels of old coats, dresses, suits, shoes, bedclothes, etc., would again be sent to Room 24, Church House, Belfast. These will be handed over to the deaconesses and city missionaries, and through them will be distributed among those who are in greatest need.—Yours, etc.,

FLORENCE CURRY,
Social Service Convener of the Girls' Auxiliary Women's Missionary Work, Presbyterian Church in Ireland.

WARING STREET HOSTEL.

Sir,—Through the medium of your worthy paper would you allow me to appeal on behalf of the poor and needy men living in our Waring Street Hostel? The Christmas holidays will react severely upon those depending on casual work, and many of our men will be compelled to face several days during the Christmas week with tightened belts. From our hostel funds we will provide 250 free dinners and 100 free suppers on Christmas Day, and a number of free beds over the week-end. Could I appeal to any interested readers to assist in further helping these needy men over the lean period, which naturally follows Christmas Day?

Thanking you all in anticipation, yours, serving others,

ALBAN, J. GROOM, Divisional Officer,
Men's Social Work,
56 Waring Street, Belfast.

BELFAST ANIMALS' SHELTER.

Sir,—May I once more make my Christmas appeal on behalf of the waifs and strays of the animal world? During the year 2,921 dogs, 2,723 cats, 17 other animals and birds, were rescued, making a total of 5,661 animals and birds during 1938. Some required veterinary attention, and many had to be humanely destroyed. Our numbers increase annually, and therefore at this season of the year when "friend remembers friend" may we think of the animal creation, and send a contribution, however small, to the animals' shelter, where every effort is made to relieve suffering and make the unwanted animal feel at home. Subscriptions will be gratefully received and acknowledged by me if sent to—

(Miss) M. E. M'LEAN,
Honorary Superintendent,
U.S.P.C.A. Animals' Shelter,
Tyrone Yard,
5 Hamilton Street, Belfast.

RAVENHILL ROAD TRAMS.

Sir,—As one of the sufferers, may I, through your paper, tender to "Felix" my heartfelt thanks for his letter in your issue of the 13th inst. I do not believe there is another community in the city so penalised as those compelled to depend on the tram service beyond Ravenhill Park.—Yours, etc., "FOLLOWING AFTER."

ULSTER MINERALS.

DEVELOPMENT QUESTION.

DECISION OF COMMITTEE.

That there are certain mineral resources in Northern Ireland, but at present their development would be uneconomic, is the effect of a decision of a Special Committee which has just concluded an inquiry into a suggestion that an expert should make a detailed investigation into those resources.

Our conclusion—state the Ulster Development Council Mineral Resources Committee in their report issued to-day—is that there is no case for the appointment of an expert to investigate the report upon the mineral resources of the Province. Those resources are already on record, and nothing new has emerged, or is likely to emerge, to warrant further investigation.

The committee state that the best coal mining prospects are at Coalisland, County Tyrone, where a mine, which was operated from 1924 till 1927, may possibly be worked again. Unlimited quantities of iron ore, not containing a high percentage of iron, exist in County Antrim, they add, but it is very doubtful where any can be worked for sale at prices which cover working expenses.

Sir Basil M'Farland, Bart., was chairman of the committee, whose report will be considered by the Ulster Government.

THE BELFAST UNION INQUIRY.

GARDENER AND PLANTS

WHAT MEMBERS ASKED HIM

DENIAL THEY SUPPLIED SEED.

Mr. Thomas Browne, Master of Belfast Union, denied at the Home Office inquiry on Friday afternoon that he ever received a bucket of corn for his poultry as stated by a witness. He had no discussion about the corn with Andrew Patterson, but about a complaint from Miss Airey that he had been rude to nurses. He had also spoken to Patterson about allowing Guardians to come into the Institution at night without reporting the matter to witness.

Mr. Browne also said that when he was appointed Master the financial end was in a bad way, and the discipline was also bad.

Questioned with regard to the 191 red blankets, witness said in his opinion they were good value.

The Inspector—Didn't you tell Mr. Lytle that it was an unnecessary purchase?

Witness—I did not say unnecessary. I said that they could have been done without.

Further questioned, witness said no one man could take stock of the institution. Instead it would require about 50 men at a time. As far as he could see the stock had never been taken according to the Union Accounts Order. It was up to the stocktaker, if he could not take stock in the time, to state that. He was not aware that the stocktaker had complained.

Mr. Richard Groves, the gardener, called by Mr. R. W. Craig, Clerk of the Union, said on Tuesday last he had been interviewed by Mr. John Hall and Mr. F. B. Loan, two members of the Board, with regard to plants. They had suggested to him that they had given him seed and he denied it.

Mr. Craig—Did they suggest that you should state they had given you seed?—Yes, sir, more or less. They said that if I kept to that I would not be questioned much.

The Inspector—In other words, if you told an untruth you would not be asked about it?

Witness—I inferred that.

Is that, in fact, an untruth they were asking you to state?—Yes; of course. I had got some chrysanthemum cuttings from Mr. Hall, about 100. He had been at me to go out to see his place at Glengormley and he gave me the cuttings.

Mr. Craig—Was any suggestion made relating to that?

Witness—Yes, they mentioned if I said I had got the chrysanthemum cuttings that it would be a sort of exchange.

Was there any suggestion about tomato plants?—Yes, just the same as the other stuff. I gave them to them as I grew them out of my own boxes. They suggested that that was from seed they had given me to sow.

The Inspector—Did you, in fact, ever get any seed from Mr. Loan or Mr. Hall?

Witness—No, I did not. When I came into the garden, as they had been used getting these plants all along, I just carried on without knowing about it.

"THE GENERAL PRACTICE."

Answering further questions, witness said about two years ago he left about six or seven boxes of plants with five or six dozen in each for the two members mentioned. The arrangement was made with Mr. Hall and Mr. Loan when they were there on a Tuesday. He thought it was Mr. Hall who asked him for them. Witness said he had no way of getting them out, and Mr. Hall said to leave them at the garage, and he would make arrangements.

Mr. Craig—Had this been the general practice?

Witness—It had been the general practice long before I was in the garden.

The Inspector—You merely continued the practice?

Witness—I just carried it on. I did not like to refuse them, as I considered they were my employers.

Witness also said that he thought Mr. Wilton was present on one occasion, and gave Mr. Hall a lift home in his car. Mr. Wilton passed a joke about the plants. Witness thought he termed them Union plants, or said that they belonged to the institution. That must be about 18 months or two years ago.

Mr. Robert James Patterson, lorry driver, who had been dismissed following a petrol inquiry by the Board, said the reasons given for his dismissal were alleged waste of petrol and neglect of his lorry. The lorry had been passed nine days previously by the public service vehicle inspector, and he had never used any more petrol than the lorry required. He had entered all petrol in his book. He had carried out his duties to the best of his ability, and considered he had been harshly treated. He had discovered by the dip stick in his lorry that the petrol pump was not working properly.

MR. LOWE'S VISITS.

Mr. William Bradbury, a former Guardian, referred to his illness in the Ava Hospital, and stated that Mr. C. M. Lowe, a Guardian, had no occasion to stay with him at night time. Mr. Lowe would come at 11 o'clock at night, and witness would see him at intervals up to 4-30 in the morning. He thought it was with the best intentions that Mr. Lowe visited him.

Witness also referred to statements made by Walter Morton, a former ambulance driver, in regard to witness's son, who had been employed as a temporary driver. Witness stated that Morton had complained to the inspector that his son was responsible for most of the defects in the lorry, but when approached subsequently by witness Morton had told him that his son was responsible for only a small dent in the back of the ambulance. The ambulance was shared by Morton and witness's son, Morton being on it almost daily.

Replying to Mr. Copeland, witness said that Mr. Lowe might have been with him about twenty nights during the month he was in hospital. On occasions Mr. Lowe might have been an hour or two hours away from witness's ward.

Mr. F. B. Loan said he wished to deny everything the witness Groves had stated with regard to him, with the exception of the incident last Tuesday, when he asked Groves how long he had been in the garden. He had never got a single pennyworth of flowers from the Belfast Union, and had never got a tomato plant in his life.

THE ORDERING OF COAL.

Mr. R. W. Craig, the clerk, gave additional evidence in regard to the ordering of coal, and stated that on one occasion when 368 tons were in stock another cargo was in course of delivery.

It appeared that under those conditions supplies would last about three months into the new contract year. The ordering of the cargo had been stated by the Master to be due to a letter he had received from the contractors. That letter had not been produced to the Works Committee, but the Master had later produced the letter to witness. It was at the time of the crisis.

Mr. Copeland, cross-examining, read a letter from the contractors stating that they would feel more satisfied if they knew their customers were well supplied, and asked witness—If you had been responsible for the supply of coal would that letter not have given you some consideration?

Witness—It certainly would.

Witness also stated that he thought it was wrong to carry supplies into the new contract year, whether the prices were going up or not. Coal prices were rising, and any surplus there would be was not being carried over at a loss.

Answering the Inspector, witness said the coal had been ordered without the knowledge of the Board.

Counsel—But it never came through the Union gates until it had the approbation of the Board?

Witness—Oh, yes, it did; half of it was through before the Board knew anything about it.

But they did approve of it?—Subsequently.

MR. W. M. WILTON'S STATEMENT.

Mr. W. M. Wilton said he was not present when the witness Groves had given his evidence, but he understood that he had referred to him and he would like to have the opportunity of making a statement.

The evidence of the witness was then read, and Mr. Wilton stated that he had no recollection of the incident at all. In his personal knowledge he had been in the garden only once and that was between six and seven years ago when he was taken round the place. Never once had he taken any member home in his car with any property of the Union. To say that he was in the garden with Mr. Hall and Mr. Loan was untrue.

Mr. W. J. Williamson, chairman of the Board, said during his evidence the previous week he was referred by the General Inspector to his report of March 5, 1935. He had re-read the report and he could find no suggestion that the stocks were badly kept or that surpluses or deficiencies existed. On the contrary, the Inspector stated that the stores were clean and well kept, and the excessive stock carried some time ago had now been worked down to proper limits.

Witness also referred to reports in 1931, 1934, 1935, and 1937, in which it was stated that the Guardians and their officers generally carried out their duties efficiently.

Mr. Craig, in further evidence, explained the methods adopted by the Board in ordering supplies, and in dealing with tenders. He also referred to the system under which stock was condemned.

Mrs. Gray, a member of the Condemning Committee, said more time should be given for condemning articles. The committee usually met at 11-15 a.m. and as the members had to attend the Board meeting at 12 o'clock they had not sufficient time to do the work properly. She also thought that the committee should meet more often than half-yearly.

STORMONT BUSINESS

LORD CRAIGAVON AND THE RECESS.

PREMIER'S ANNOUNCEMENT

ADJOURNING TILL MARCH.

Arrangements for the adjournment of Parliament were announced on Friday at Stormont, when the PRIME MINISTER moved that following its rising the House of Commons should adjourn till Friday next, when the Royal Assent to Bills will be received.

He also moved that after Friday the House should adjourn till March 7, 1939, and that provided it appeared to the satisfaction of Mr. Speaker after consultation with the Government that public interest required the House should meet at any earlier date during the Christmas adjournment the House should meet in accordance with notice given by the Speaker.

The Prime Minister, in moving the motion, explained that the reason for fixing the hour of meeting on March 7, at 3-30 instead of three o'clock, was that he understood that the Corporation of Belfast intended to make his Royal Highness the Duke of Kent a Freeman of the City. They had, therefore, made arrangements that the time of the sitting would be advanced this half-hour to allow members who wished to be present at the ceremony in the City Hall to reach the House in time to be in their places when his Royal Highness paid his promised visit to the House.

MR. BEATTIE'S QUESTION.

Mr. BEATTIE said he understood that his Royal Highness had accepted the invitation of the Prime Minister to visit Ulster in March.

The PRIME MINISTER—I would not put it so strongly as that. Preliminary arrangements are being made and, so far, it is acceptable to his Royal Highness to fulfil this engagement if possible.

Mr. BEATTIE said he understood that the Duke of Kent was to be the guest of the Government. His point was that if they changed the time of the House from 3 till 3-30 they would make Parliament subordinate to the dictates of the Belfast Corporation.

The PRIME MINISTER—No, not at all.

Mr. BEATTIE said he had as much respect for the authority of the Belfast Corporation as any other member of the House, but he always claimed the right to belong to the superior authority. His Royal Highness was coming here at the request of the Government of the Province.

The PRIME MINISTER said that was not quite correct. It was his Royal Highness's own initiative, not the invitation from the Government. While he was here, of course, all members would be treated exactly alike in any entertainments that would be provided for.

Mr. BEATTIE said he was not referring to entertainments at all. He took it from the Prime Minister that his Royal Highness was to be specially invited to visit the House in session. The usual time was 3 p.m., and the Belfast Corporation and its members were well aware of that precedent, but to get in first and get priority of the proceedings they had decided on that day they would confer the Freedom of the City on his Royal Highness.

He was only too willing to associate himself with that honour, but he could see the movements of the Belfast Corporation and its leaders, similar to what happened during their Majesties' visit to the city, and he objected strongly to the Corporation usurping the position that the House of Commons should occupy.

LORD CRAIGAVON EXPLAINS.

The PRIME MINISTER said he would like to explain that with all Royal visits in order to work in a programme that suited their Royal Highnesses—and they had of course first consideration—it was necessary that all of them put their heads together with a view to facilitating the visitors as much as possible.

"I hope," he said, "we are all broad-minded enough in the House not to let any little question of precedence interfere with what are otherwise most excellent suggestions that have been put forward."

There were other reasons as well. His Royal Highness was particularly anxious to get what might be classed as the official side of the visit over on the first day, and on looking into the matter it seemed to him and those who had been discussing it to be the most facilitating manner in which they could treat the matter. He hoped the hon. member would be satisfied that the best they could do was being done.

Mr. BEATTIE said he would not object to those responsible for the arrangements, but he had lived to learn the tricks of some people, and especially inside the Belfast Corporation. The second time was now going to arrive when they were going to play second fiddle to the Corporation. Hence his objection to the Corporation being accommodated to the extent of adjourning the meeting of the House to 3-30.

The first visit of his Royal Highness should have been to the House, but as arrangements had been made and there were other matters of which he was not aware, he was going to leave it at that.

The motion was passed.

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BALLYMENA ROAD DEATH.

BAIL GRANTED.

MANSLAUGHTER CHARGE.

MACDONALD ALLOWED OUT.

In the King's Bench Division of the Royal Courts of Justice, before the Lord Chief Justice, Mr. James M'Sparran (instructed by Mr. J. P. M'Cann, solicitor, Ballymena) applied for bail on behalf of Robert Maxwell MacDonald, a leading aircraftsman of the Royal Air Force, Aldergrove, and at present in custody on a charge of the manslaughter of James Harrison, Crumkill, Ballymena, by knocking him down with a motor-car on the Ballymena-Belfast road on November 26.

Mr. Brian Maginess (instructed by Mr. Mills, Crown Solicitor) opposed the application on behalf of the Crown.

Mr. M'Sparran read an affidavit by MacDonald, in which he set out that he was arrested on November 30 and brought before a Special Court at Ballymena on December 1. He was then remanded in custody for seven days, an application for bail being refused. He appeared again at a Special Court on December 8 and was returned for trial to the next Assizes for Co. Antrim, and ordered to be detained in custody, an application for bail again being refused.

"I say that I have a good and valid defence to this charge," proceeded the affidavit, "and believe that I shall be able to establish my innocence. On Saturday, November 26, 1938, I left Aldergrove aerodrome at five minutes past six, with the intention of driving to Ballymena. When at Ballee, Ballymena, I noticed a bus coming round the bend, with its head-lights full on. I dimmed my lights, but the head-lights of the bus absolutely blinded me.

"I felt an impact and immediately pulled up and walked back and picked up a cyclist who was lying on the road, and whom I know now to be James Wylie, of Crumkill, Co. Antrim. I asked him if he thought he was all right, or if he wanted me to get an ambulance. He said he thought he was all right. At that time I was not aware of any other person being involved in the collision.

"A gentleman, aged about 50 years and whom I know now to be William Beresford Hope, of Garvagh, Londonderry, then spoke to me, and said that there was a man underneath their car. I walked to the car parked in the centre of the road, under which a man was lying. A number of cars had pulled up, and a crowd of people had gathered at the scene of the accident, and as I thought my help was not required I got into my car and drove away. I was then of the opinion, and still am of the opinion, that I had not come into contact with James Harrison at all.

"As already stated, I am a leading aircraftsman attached to the Royal Air Force, Crumlin, Co. Antrim, and have served in that capacity for a period of two years. Prior to that I resided with my father at 24 Broadoak Road, Liverpool, 14.

"I have no intention of leaving Northern Ireland, or of avoiding my trial in any way, and am prepared to offer substantial securities for my appearance at the next Assizes for the County of Antrim, and will give such undertaking and submit to such regulations as the police authorities may require of me as to my conduct whilst on bail."

WILLING TO REPORT TO POLICE.

Mr. M'Sparran said it was clearly proved from the evidence that there was a bus within 20 yards of the accused at the time. Accused was willing to report at the police barracks each day if he were released on bail. Undoubtedly this was a serious accident, resulting in the death of an unfortunate man, but he did not think there was any precedent for refusing bail in manslaughter cases. Accused did stop after the accident, and only went on when there were upwards of a dozen cars at the scene, therefore, on humanitarian grounds, he did not desert the man and leave him unattended on the road, as had been done by other motorists who did get bail.

The Lord Chief Justice asked was it a fact that when the accused was challenged before arrest he denied that he was out on the road at all.

Mr. Maginess—That is shown on the depositions.

The Lord Chief Justice—And I think I am right in saying that there was a police broadcast in this case, with a view to getting information that would enable them to make an arrest.

Mr. M'Sparran said he was not condoning accused's attitude in not responding to the appeal.

The Lord Chief Justice—If he knew he struck a cyclist and ran away afterwards, it would make one apprehensive as to whether he would be here for trial.

Mr. M'Sparran said many methods could be adopted to ensure that he would be in attendance. He would urge his Lordship that whatever mistakes the man might have made, his position was not the same as the person who ran over a man and left him on the road without assistance within miles.

The Lord Chief Justice—It seems to me that he was frightened by the gravity of the case.

Mr. M'Sparran—That is quite possible.

The Lord Chief Justice—That is the most reprehensible conduct one could conceive, for the more grave the accident the more necessity for immediate attention.

Mr. M'Sparran—I quite agree, but I am sure your Lordship will agree that his case is not so bad as the man who drives away and leaves a man injured on the road without assistance. He certainly has a case to go to the jury, and he will be prejudiced to some extent if he is not free to assist in the preparation of his defence.

MR. MAGINESS'S ARGUMENTS.

Mr. Maginess said there were two aspects of the case, its gravity and the likelihood of the accused remaining to stand his trial. He need not go into the first aspect, and in the second his Lordship would take into consideration what had happened up to the present in order to form a judgment of what might happen in the future. The accident occurred on November 26, and, apart from what happened that night, MacDonald must have known for four days of the death of the man and of the searches by the police. During those four days he did not make any move to communicate with the police, and when the District-Inspector first came to him he said he did not leave the aerodrome on the evening in question. It was only when the District-Inspector told him that he knew that he had been out that evening that he made the statement. Apart from the actual facts of the accident the car was not insured, there was no driver's licence, and the car had not been taxed.

The Lord Chief Justice—Did the car belong to the accused or did it belong to someone else and was taken out unauthorised by the owner?

Mr. Maginess—So far as I can see there is no suggestion of that. It is not suggested that it was taken out in an unauthorised way.

Continuing, Mr. Maginess pointed out that on the return journey accused came back the same way, saw a policeman and the car which had been over the man still at the scene, but he did not stop. Accused, he said, was an aircraftsman and had no stake in Northern Ireland argument might apply to any case.

Mr. Maginess mentioned that the police were not satisfied with one of the sureties offered.

Mr. M'Sparran said the police had informed his solicitor that they were prepared to accept one of the suggested sureties for the full amount.

The Lord Chief Justice said certain circumstances in the case had been properly brought before him by the Crown. He wished to say nothing that was going to prejudice in any way the fair and impartial trial of the case, but would consider the principles on which the Court should act. He thought it was the duty of the Court under the existing authorities to grant bail. He could not refrain from mentioning that after the accident the accused took a somewhat hurried departure as soon as he realised the gravity of the accident and he did not respond to any appeals that were made to disclose his identity. They were not, however, circumstances which would justify him in keeping accused in custody for a period that would be approximately three months awaiting his trial. He would fix bail, himself in £200, and two sureties of £100 each, or one surety of £200, the sureties to be approved by the police. In addition he would require his attendance once daily at the police barrack in Antrim. There was no reason why he should not do so by arrangement with the police.

BAIL BONDS ENTERED INTO.

Robert Maxwell MacDonald, an aircraftman, stationed at Aldergrove, whose application for bail was granted in the Ulster High Court yesterday, entered into recognisances at Belfast Custody Court to-day, before Mr. J. Campbell, R.M.

The High Court fixed bail at £200 and one surey of £200 conditional upon him reporting daily to the police.

MacDonald had been returned for trial in custody on a charge of the manslaughter of James Harrison, Crumkill, Ballymena, by knocking him down with a motor-car on November 26 at Ballee, Ballymena.

NURSING THE 'BABY'

AFFAIRS OF BELFAST OUTSIDE BROKER.

BANKRUPTCY EXAMINATION

"COURTESY AND CONTRACT."

A statement that he had nursed "babies" for a good many people was made by Jas. H. Coates, an outside broker, who had carried on business in Mayfair, during further examination in the Bankruptcy Division of the Ulster High Court.

Mr. L. E. Curran (instructed by Messrs. J. C. Taylor & Co.) on behalf of the assignees, said he would like to ask Mr. Coates a few questions arising out of a number of accounts in some of which the persons liable on the books had repudiated liability.

Mr. Coates replied that a Mr. Thomas Bamford, Belfast, owed him a sum of £107 19s 10d on a speculative account. Witness explained that when told to buy by his London or Glasgow agents, several speculative clients left it to him to buy for them. If they wanted to repudiate the purchases the contract should have been returned. "It is only because I came a crash that they repudiate it," observed the witness, adding that they would not have repudiated purchases if they had gone the other way.

Mr. Justice Brown—In any case, when you did buy without specific instructions you sent a contract note?—Yes, I did. It was carried over to the end of the contango account.

Witness added that Mr. Bamford had also paid him a cheque against a balance due to witness on a previous speculative account. Had the balance been the other way round there would have been no case of repudiation.

Mr. Curran—The next case is that of a Mr. Herbert Forbes in respect of £32 13s 10d. What about this account?

Witness—His business was always done over the telephone. The general agreement was on the same basis as in the account of Mr. Bamford.

His Lordship remarked that in every case except two months, there had been a balance in his favour. "I see he had a balance in his favour of over £100 on several occasions," added his Lordship.

In respect of an account of £150 alleged to be due by a Mr. George Johnston, witness explained that this was for cash advanced. Johnston was an old friend of his in Banbridge, and on stating that he was about to get a loan to build a house witness had advanced him £150. The loan, he understood, did not materialise.

His Lordship—Is it vouched in any way?—Only the endorsement on the back of the cheque.

The next item, £61, shown on the books to be due by W. S. Lemon, a brother-in-law of the witness, was stated to be the balance due on the purchase of a car. He said his brother-in-law had been "terribly hard up at the time," and witness had purchased the car to help him in his business. The car had been returned, and £61 balance was due.

His Lordship—You know the old legal maxim, Mr. Curran "What starts in courtesy can never end in contract." (Laughter.)

The next item was stated to be £388 alleged to be due by Mr. J. F. Miller, who had denied liability. Witness said Mr. Miller had never disputed the account to witness.

The next account, that of Mr. Thomas Henry, showed that £2,249 was due by him in September, 1937. Witness said that Mr. Henry had given similar instructions to the others. Mr. Henry was a man who came in every day and bought shares.

Witness explained that Mr. Henry was not responsible for No. 2 account, in which they were associated in a restaurant.

His Lordship granted permission to institute proceedings where desired. The matter of the car would not be a proper case to proceed with, he said.

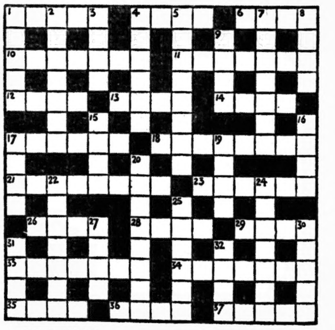
Mr. Curran—And the Henry No. 2 account is another.

THE COST OF LIVING.

The cost of living remained stationary during November.

At December 1 the average level of retail prices was approximately 56 per cent. above the level of July, 1914, as compared with 56 per cent. at November 1, 1938, and 60 per cent. at December 1, 1937. For food only the percentages were 39, 40 and 46 respectively.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE



CLUES ACROSS.

1. Apparent.
4. Clement.
6. Appear.
10. Profuse.
11. Companion.
12. File.
13. Repair.
14. Mesopotamia.
17. Believe.
18. Harsh.
21. Esteems.
23. Tempestuous.
26. Dutch coin.
28. Playthings.
29. Froth.
31. Gather.
34. Disproved.
35. Advantages.
36. Egyptian goddess.
37. Governs.

CLUES DOWN.

1. Happen.
2. Cost.
3. Stepped.
5. Dominate.
6. Cleanse.
7. Originate.
8. Deportment.
9. African warriors.
15. Heap.
16. Remain.
17. Heart.
19. Jot.
20. Laws.
22. Marred.
24. Narrative.
25. British island.
27. Digits.
30. Flower.
32. Resound.
33. At a distance.

SOLUTION TO YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE.

ACROSS: 1, Askance; 9, Cautious; 10, Adjust; 11, Toil; 13, Whine; 14, Glee; 16, True; 17, Covert; 19, Buss; 21, Open; 23, Mere; 27, Wish; 28, Copeck; 30, Look; 32, Teem; 33, Tsar; 34, Irate; 36, Climbs; 37, Needless; 38, Meddles.

DOWN: 2, Sedulous; 3, Azure; 4, Cutter; 5, Bawl; 6, Stow; 7, Novice; 8, Asserts; 12, Idem; 15, Acme; 18, View; 20, Some; 22, Sore; 24, Meadows; 25, Actions; 26, Alto; 29, Player; 31, Circle; 32, Tried; 34, Eels; 35, Push.

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HALLWAY CAPTURE.

RESULT OF SERGEANT'S SEARCH.

THE I.R.A. AND ENGLAND.

DOCUMENTS "VERY IMPORTANT."

A sentence of two years' imprisonment with hard labour was imposed on John White, Tullysanon, Blackwatertown, County Armagh, "silent" I.R.A. prisoner, who appeared before Messrs. J. H. Campbell, R.M., and W. F. M'Coy, R.M., at a Civil Authorities (Special Powers) Act Court in Belfast on Friday.

Found in the accused's possession were documents, described by Mr. Campbell as "very important," which were alleged to relate to parades and cross-Channel movements of I.R.A. members.

The charge against White was of having in his possession at Ogle Street, Armagh, on November 27, documents relating to the I.R.A.

District-Inspector Scott prosecuted.

Sergeant S. Hays, of Armagh, gave evidence of searching six men whom he found in a hallway leading to the Padraic Pearse Club in Armagh. He found the documents produced on accused.

DETAILS OF PARADES, ETC.

One of these documents, said the witness, was a monthly report on a parade statement referring to "A" Coy., Maydown, section No. 2—Maydown being a townland of Armagh district. The document gave details of attendances at drills, recruits, present strength, etc., and the holding of a parade. It was signed "Section Adjutant." On the back of the same document was a report of "A" Coy., again with details of parades, etc. There was a report dealing with activities in August, 1938.

Part of this report stated: "No dismissals. Number gone to England—two men have been in England for the past year. One is reported to be in the Army there. His address is given here and the other address is not available. Number of transfers—there have been no transfers. Strength of company—23. Drill and training undergone in the past month—the company is made up of three sections which parade every fortnight."

Constable R. G. M'Keown corroborated as to the finding of the documents.

On the completion of the case the accused was asked if he wished to make a statement, but did not reply.

SENTENCE OF TWO YEARS.

Announcing the decision of the Court, Mr. Campbell said they had no difficulty, notwithstanding the silence of the accused, in finding that these documents not only referred to the affairs of an unlawful and authority they regarded them as an important capture and they wished to say that Sergeant Hays was entitled to the highest praise for this very timely capture. This was not an ordinary document; it was more than that for it traced the goings and comings of certain people to England and gave names and addresses of people in England. It was quite evident that there was in being and in activity an unlawful association in that particular locality.

They had not been assisted by the accused in this case and for all they knew he might have come into possession of the documents in a perfectly honest way.

He elected, however, to remain silent and give no explanation.

BALLYMENA INQUIRIES.

TOWN AND HOSPITAL SERVICES.

It is learned on good authority that military officers visited Ballymena during the past few days, and inspected various buildings, including a factory and child welfare centre, and portion of the local workhouse, not now in general use, with a view to these being used for hospital services.

FAMOUS ROME CHURCH.

CRACK IN MAIN WALL.

ROME, Friday.—A serious crack was found in one of the main walls of the Church of Sant Andrea Delle Fratte, facing the Via Della Mercede, in the heart of the city. Experts hurried to the scene and when it was found that the surface of the street had also given way traffic was diverted in case the foundations of the roadway should cave in and bring about the collapse of the church, one of the most ancient and famous in Rome.

The trouble is attributed to the slight earth tremors which have been experienced in recent months at various other places, including Albano, Tivoli and Castel Gandolfo, although hitherto it was believed that Rome had felt no ill-effects.—Exchange.

LINEN TRADE REVIEW.

Better Prices Certain In New Year

Spinners And Weavers Making A Stand—Replacement Costs On Upgrade—Totalitarian Deals In Flax—Hitler A Force To Be Reckoned With—Trading Figures For Eleven Months—Much Leeway To Be Made Up—Little Known Uses For Linen—British Museum And G.B.S.

(From A Special Correspondent).

THIS has been a quiet week in Bedford Street due to the approaching holidays. Some departments specialising in novelty linens for the home trade are working over-time on last-minute repeats for the Christmas and New Year sales, but standard goods are moving slowly owing to the stale-mate position explained in our last review. Present prices are completely unremunerative, and spinners and weavers are now making a determined stand for rates based on replacement costs which are on the upgrade, due to the increase in flax prices. Within the past few days important yarn contracts have been booked at full list prices, and it is being generally recognised that an increase in yarn prices is overdue. Already Continental mills have increased their yarn prices by 6d per bundle and upwards. Coarse line linens are expected to receive a fillip from the War Office request for tenders on Friday of this week for the supply of 1½ million yards of tent duck. Unfortunately this is a Scottish speciality. Signs are not lacking that linen buyers appreciate that prices cannot remain at their present low level, and it is expected that price-testing will be translated into buying at a more remunerative level early in the New Year. Incoming cloth orders are spread over a wide range, but there has been noteworthy business in buckrams, hollands and other coarse tailoring linens.

Some Ulster linen concerns have already booked space in the textile section of the forthcoming British Industries Fair. In the preliminary list of exhibitors I notice the name of John S. Brown & Sons, Ltd., Ireland Brothers, Ltd., "Old Bleach" Furnishings, Ltd., "Old Bleach" Linen Co., Ltd., and York Street Flax Spinning Co., Ltd. The Scottish linen industry will be represented as usual, by Hay & Robertson, Ltd., and John Shields & Co. (Perth), Ltd.

The flax position is causing some disquiet due to that large-scale phenomenon, totalitarian trading. Germany, for example, is buying huge consignments of Soviet and other flaxes by barter. Herr Hitler is now a force to be reckoned with in the Continental flax markets. The year the Reich had 112,180 acres under flax as against 142,185 acres in 1937. This is excluding Austria, whose flax area was 7,000 acres as again 6,100. Germany has now some 130,000 additional flax spindles to feed due to her Sudetenland acquisition, but the main Czech flax-growing districts are located in what is left of the Czecho-Slovakian Republic. Hence the large flax contracts placed by Germany recently with Latvian and other Baltic sources. Meanwhile Germany has concluded agreements with Belgium and Poland in connection with special quotas of flax and tow for the Sudeten mills, and is reported to be negotiating similar flax alliances with Lithuania, Estonia, and Latvia.

Germany is anxious to increase the production of home-grown flax and ambitious schemes are afoot in connection with the establishment of modern central retteries in flax-growing centres throughout the Reich. I have received particulars of a rettery which has just been erected at Kunzelsau in Germany with an estimated annual production of 6,000 tons of flax. The equipment includes 24 tanks fitted with heating gear. After four days' tank retting, the flax straw is removed, rinsed on a special conveyer, squeezed between rollers, and conveyed to a drying machine operating at 100 degrees Centigrade. After drying the straw passes on conveyers to the scutching turbines, the boon and pouce being removed by blowers to feed the furnaces of the power and lighting plant.

It is becoming increasingly evident that the Ulster flax production programme must be accelerated in every way possible. It is significant that two leading Northern Ireland spinning concerns are represented on the directorate of the new £10,000 Ulster flax retting and scutching concern which was registered this week.

Apart altogether from the 1938 decline in Soviet flax acreage, it is certain that Russia will again revise her flax export programme in the coming year, though the leaders of "Exportlen," the Soviet flax monopoly, are still silent about their intentions. Combined yields of the new Latvian, Estonian, and Lithuanian flax crops are forecast at 55,611 tons as against 68,200 in 1937, or a deficit of 12,559 tons of fibre, and Belgium has become the world's leading flax-exporting country.

Last month the United Kingdom imported Belgian flax and tow worth £222,302. In the first eleven months of this year the U.K. imported flax worth £2,917,235, or £37,436 less than in the corresponding period of last year. Last week Ulster spinners' purchases in the Courtrai markets totalled 5,880 bales of flax and 865 bales of tow; France bought 4,135 bales of flax and 117 bales of tow, and Germany came third with 1,220 bales of flax. Ulster spinners also bought 440 bales of Dutch flax and 28 tons of tow in the Rotterdam market.

This was an important week in flax merchanting circles, as the annual flax market was held in Breslau on Monday and in Trautenau on Wednesday. Continental flax prices continue their upward trend, and low end Courtrai is finding willing buyers at 1,150 francs per bale. The Estonian Flax Price Commission raised its quotations this week by £2 per ton, and Latvia, Lithuania, and Poland are also holding out for advances. Irish flax continues to change hands briskly at from 7s 6d to 11s 3d per stone in the Ulster markets, with tow fetching from 3s to 5s per cwt. Noteworthy markets of the week were Ballymena (37 tons), Coleraine (27½ tons), Magherafelt (13 tons), Ballynahinch (11 tons), Strabane (8 tons), and Omagh (5 tons)

FLAX AND TOW VALUES.

Flax and tow values:—Irish flax, £64 to £88; IV. Group: Slanetz, £94 to £95, basis 1; Ralo tow, No. 8, £72 to £73; Latvian Livonian, £76 to £77, basis R; Werro-Petschory halves £74 to £75 10s, basis R; Lithuanian Group 1 flax, £66 10s to £67 10s, basis R, all per ton c.i.f. U.K. Nominal values in Ulster of machine hackled water retted tows:—Courtrai, £66 (roughing); £70 No. 1; £74 No. 2; £78 Nos. 3-4; Irish, £58 (roughing); £61 No. 1; £64 No. 2; 67 Nos. 3-4; Baltic, £55 (roughing); £57 No 1, £59 No. 2, £61 Nos. 3-4. Nominal Irish linen yarn values—Sheer warps, 90's to 110's 7s 4½d. 150's 8s 6d. per bundle; cambric warps, 75's to 85's 7s 4½d. 100's 7s 9d. per bundle; tow wefts, 12's 15s 9d, 14's 13s 9d, 25's 10s 3d. 40's 7s 6d. per bundle; line wefts, 40's 9s, 50's 8s, 80's to 130's 6s 9d. per bundle; 140's 6s 10½d. and 150's 7s 11d. all per bundle of 60,000 yards of grey yarn. Nominal Scottish dry spun linen yarn values—Tow weft, 3lbs. 3s per spindle. 3½lbs. 3s 3d per spindle, 4lbs. 3s 6d per spindle; tow warps, 3½lbs. 3s 8d per spindle, 4lbs. 3s 11d. 5lbs. 4s 7d; flax warp, 2½lbs. 3s 6d. 3lbs. 4s. all per spindle; flax warp, 4lbs. to 5lbs. 1s 3½d per lb.. 2¼lbs. flax 3-ply 1s 8½d per lb.. 2½lbs. flax 3-ply 1s 6½d per lb. Under the Scottish system of yarn numbering, the yarn number indicates the weight of a spindle or spangle of 48 cuts or 14,400 yards.

Figures are now available which paint an accurate, if gloomy, picture of linen trading conditions in the first eleven months of this year. United Kingdom linen exports in November totalled £482,062 as against £503,124 in the previous month and £597,744 in November, 1937.

In the eleven months ended November 30, 1938, the United Kingdom exported linen goods to the value of £5,063,317, or £2,124,700 less than the corresponding figure for last year and £1,427,789 below the figure for the first eleven months of 1936.

Slight gains on the October figures were registered last month in respect of export of linen piece-goods to British Africa and Australia). Increased shipments were also made in November to Madeira, Cuba and Argentina and to the miscellaneous foreign countries lumped together in the Board of Trade returns under the heading "Other foreign countries." The Anglo-U.S.A. Pact does not come into effect until January 1 and the full force of its linen concessions will not be felt until the large amount of Ulster linen in bond in New York has been absorbed. Last month the U.S.A. imported British linen piece goods worth £68,597 as against £68,047 in the previous month and £83,616 in November, 1937. Her imports of table linen were valued at £37,404 in November as against £35,488 in the previous month and £40,596 for November a year ago.

U.S.A. purchases of linen piece goods, damask table linen, and handkerchiefs during the first eleven months of this year were £1,004,292 below her corresponding indents in 1937. There is certainly a great deal of leeway to be made up in this Transatlantic market, and progress should be made from now onwards due both to the tariff cuts and to the vigorous linen advertising programme which will be waged in the near future by the U.S.A. Linen Trade Association, assisted by grants from linen manufacturers and exporters who are interested in the U.S.A. market.

The Sino-Japanese clash is still playing havoc with Ulster exports of cambrics and sheers to China, which country imported British linen worth £176,074 in the first eleven months of this year as against £406,884 in the corresponding period of 1937, which was also a war year. Last month China imported Ulster linen piece goods worth £8,735 as against £10,841 in the previous month and £23,228 in November of last year. It is reported that production of table linens in the Chefoo are now only one-third of normal, though handkerchief production in Swatow, still under Chinese jurisdiction, is comparatively good. The Sino-Japanese war has had the strange effect of reducing the price of Chinese-made linen handkerchiefs in the U.S.A., due to the depreciation of the Chinese yen. Wholesale prices, in consequence, have shrunk in New York from 15 to 20 per cent., and this has also been reflected in retail prices.

A cheering feature in the latest Board of Trade returns is the improvement shown in the exports of finished linen thread. United Kingdom linen thread worth £49,680 was shipped last month as against £37,330 in the previous month and £38,084 in November a year ago.

Included in last month's linen piece goods exports were:—Plain bleached, £114,833, a decline of £40,588 on the corresponding 1937 figures; plain unbleached, £55,254, a decrease of £8,262; sailcloth or canvas, £40,434, a decrease of £20,021; towelling, £3,252, an increase of £499; printed or dyed, £59,872, a decrease of £27,546, and damask, £2,986, a decrease of £1,161. November exports of flax and hemp yarns, at £94,279, were £535 below the value of yarns shipped a year before. Last month the United Kingdom imported linen and hemp piece goods worth £3,176 as against £10,319 in the previous month; flax line and tow yarns worth £16,968 as against £26,131, flax worth £272,150 as against £297,483, and flax tow worth £58,353 as against £58,660 in the previous month.

Belfast exported 27,374 tons of linen in the eleven months ended November 30, 1938, as against 35,692 tons in the corresponding period of 1937. The average Ulster linen trade unemployment rate for the first eleven months of this year was 35.1 as against 18.1 last year. The latest (October) linen unemployment returns showed a percentage rate of 29.1.

LANCASHIRE COTTON REPORT.

During the week there has been no great activity on the Liverpool cotton market. One quality or another has attracted some attention on each day, but it is improbable that the turnover in any quality has been considerable. Prices of American "spot" have, with one exception, shown increases from day to day during the week, an encouraging state of affairs for the trade, in spite of a slight setback during Tuesday. Giza 7 and Uppers "spot" prices are moving in sympathy with each other; there is little change on the week, a drop from Thursday to Friday having been cancelled out by a rise on Monday.

Sellers of yarns continue to complain about lack of business, although there are signs here and there that the week has not been completely blank. Some useful demand has come in from the Continent for single Egyptian ring yarns in course counts, and there is no doubt that the fall in cotton prices at the beginning of the month, followed by the steady rise which ensued, gave confidence to buyers who had requirements to cover, and some considerable business appears to have been done as the result.

Nothing has happened this week to brighten up the cloth market. It is still a day of small things. Although the scope of the inquiry is, on the whole, satisfactory, the amount of business actually booked is small, and consists chiefly of retail lots unevenly spread over the market. India and China are practically out of the market, but a fair quota of inquiry is coming forward from Java and the Straits, with here and there a small line from Hongkong. Rumour says that the home trade, supported by Government orders, alone provides placements of anything like a normal size. In other quarters orders are small individually, and do not help appreciably to swell the turnover. The newspapers provide ample evidence of the unrest in the world, which accounts for the want of confidence in the world's markets. Cotton has again reacted slightly during the week, and prices are steady.

In my last review I drew attention to some new and revived uses for flax products. Sixty centuries have passed since the Phœnicians set forth to find linen markets, but there are still virgin markets for linen, as well as many new uses yet undiscovered. I hear that chairs of Somerset flax are now being produced by an English firm of flax spinners and twine makers. Tough Malacca cane is used as a foundation for these chairs, the backs of which are made by hand labour. Such "flax chairs" are claimed to be waterproof and impervious to sea air and sea water, making them suitable for seaside, garden and bathroom. Respectfully I bring the idea to the notice of the Workshops for the Blind and kindred organisations.

This year marked the fifthieth anniversary of the introduction of the pneumatic tyre by John Boyd Dunlop, and it is interesting to recall that the inventor's first successful tyre consisted of a rubber tube fastened to a disc by strips of linen. It is sometimes suggested that linen should be used to-day as a type-cord fabric. Cotton, unfortunately, is better for this purpose owing to its greater elasticity. Flax has an elasticity factor of only 2.43 per cent. as against cotton's 6.7 per cent.

Some time ago a Dunfermline linen manufacturer received an order for linen designed for the somewhat unusual task of stopping whisky casks. The aristocrat of fabrics is being used at the bungholes to ensure a proper closure. It was formerly customary to use a jute cloth for this purpose, but experiment has proved that it was inclined to suffer under an excessive diet of "mountain dew." Following careful experiments, Scots distilling experts have decided that Scottish linen goes best with Scottish whisky. Similarly casks of Irish whisky should resent being bunged with any fabric other than Irish linen.

The extraordinary versatility of flax fibre is seldom realised. Thus the average linen merchant would be take aback if he was invited to quote for "wither linen." This type of flaxen fabric is used in the Dutch East Indies for the withering of tea on tea racks. Linen is British countries" (excluding South India, New Zealand, Canada, and "other frequently used in the reparing of antique furniture.

A huge screen of linen around a town was a remarkable method adopted in a fight to save the seaside resort of Guadamar, on the Alicante coast of Spain, from burial beneath sand-dunes. There are vast dunes on this coast, and for years sand had been blow inland until at the beginning of the present century half the town of Guadamar lay partly buried. Houses had been obliterated and gardens and orchards choked with sand. Promised a loan of £20,000 from the Government, the townspeople determined to fight the invader. A high barricade of stout linen fabric, specially treated, was erected along the coastline in front of the town. The sand between the barricade and the town was gradually removed, and there appeared a flourishing park in place of a wilderness. In 25 years a stretch of barren sandy land was transformed into forests of pine, olive and other trees. Five miles of roads were built, the town cleared of the sand, and once again local growers of figs and olives prospered until the unhappy civil war.

Makers of fine books used to buy paper made of linen rags, paper so thin that 2,400 pages filled only an inch of space. Now that linen rags are about as scarce as golden guineas, you may find linen-rag paper in some rich jeweller's catalogue, but hardly anywhere else. India paper, which contains only 40 per cent. of flax, packs only 1,800 pages to the inch. Bank of England notes have a very large flax content in order that they may withstand continuous handling.

Sometimes Ulster linen manufacturers are set difficult tasks. Thus, when the "Codex Sinaiticus" was acquired for the nation some years ago, it was decided to rebind this priceless manuscript in Irish linen. British Museum experts specified that the binding fabric must be "untouched by chemicals of any kind in any stages of its manufacture," and to fulfil this proviso the linen had to be grass bleached for seven months. Comparatively recently Mr. G. Bernard Shaw insisted that a new de luxe collected edition of his works should be bound in Irish linen.

It is not generally known that important quantities of flax twine are used by the electrical industry, their greatest outlet in the larger sizes being in tying pole leads in motors, transformers and turbine generators. The smaller sizes are used mainly for tying brace blocks to coils. Incidentally, a revised edition of the British standard specification for flax cordage for aircraft has just been published. The specification (No. 4F. 35) covers the construction, weight, strength and resistance to fraying with a view of obtaining more comparable test results. No. 1 cord, weighing from 2.75 to 3.5 oz. per 100 yards, must have a minimum breaking strength of 50 lbs., while No. 3, weighing from 8.75 to 11 oz. per 100 yards, must have a minimum breaking strain of 120 lbs.

BOY "BORROWS" CAR

MANAGES TO WRECK EIGHT OTHERS.

TELEPHONES KEPT BUSY.

A fifteen-year-old Brooklyn boy who "borrowed" a neighbour's car in order to impress his parents that he really could drive, wrecked no fewer than eight cars in his journey of only one mile.

The young motorist who decided to try out his boast saw a neighbour's car parked outside the house. Getting into the driving seat he drove off at a furious pace until he came to a parking place where he knocked three cars on to the kerb. Then in front of an apartment house in the next street he ran into a lorry which in turn crashed into two other cars parked in front of it.

Swinging his car away from the line of traffic the young motorist hit two other cars parked on the other side of the street.

In the meantime the owner of the car the boy had "borrowed" was frantically trying to telephone the police station, but owing to the fact that the other disgruntled owners were doing the same thing he was unable to get through for nearly half an hour.

The boy eventually brought the car to a standstill and the police took him into custody.

GIRL WHO ATE MARBLES.

After being taken to hospital suffering from severe pains, 19-years-old Mary Genova, of Brooklyn, admitted that she had swallowed no fewer than 31 marbles in order that she could have a ride on a sledge (says the Central News).

It appears that Mary, while out for a walk with her friend Carmentina, met two boys who promised them a ride on the sledge if they would eat some marbles.

Not wishing to miss a ride, Mary and her friend set to it, and in a short time the boys' possessions quickly disappeared.

Carmentina, whose constitution stood the strain, felt no ill-effects, but Mary had to be rushed to the hospital.

Mary, however, has not regretted her action, because she said that she enjoyed the sledge ride.

BOY REGISTERED AS GIRL.

Because of an error made 16 years ago by a district registrar of births a boy living at Auburn, near Sydney (New South Wales), has just learned that officially he is a girl.

The disclosure came out when the boy, Allan Roderick, 16 years old, applied for a job.

His prospective employer said he could have it if he produced his birth certificate. Application was made to the Auburn Registry and it was then discovered that Allan had been registered as a female named "Ellen Roderick."

It transpired that Allan is one of twins and that when the father registered their births he did not receive the birth certificates and consequently did not detect the error.

The matter has been reported to the Minister of Justice (Mr. Martin), who states that an alteration will be made in the records of the Department as soon as a statutory declaration is made by the father.

"GASTRONOMIC COMMANDMENTS"

Certain "Gastronomic Commandments" have been compiled by the Association of Regionalist Gastronomes in Paris for the maximum enjoyment of meals.

"Never dance or smoke during a repast." According to one rule to do either is stigmatised as a gastronomic sin, but both can be indulged in it is stated when coffee is served at the end of the meal.

"Servants must observe complete silence during a gastronomic meal" is another commandment. The association adds that it does not consider it "improper" for the host and his guests to converse as they desire, but that it is preferable for them to talk about what they are eating.

"Menus and the wines which accompany them should be served so that their savours mount crescendo like a musical orchestration to a climax," says the association.

Finally, the controversy as to the proper time for serving cheese is resolved as "before the dessert."

Copies of the commandments are to be distributed all over France.—Reuter.

"MESSIAH" BROADCAST

Week-End Radio Entertainments

ADDRESS BY MODERATOR

PROGRAMMES TO-DAY

ADVICE TO GARDENERS.

PHILHARMONIC CONCERT.

At 7-30 p.m. N. C. Hunter produces a radio play "The Wooden Leg," which he has adapted from Lynn Doyle's short story.

Part 2 and 3 of Handel's "Messiah" will be broadcast from the Ulster Hall at 9 o'clock.

The Belfast Philharmonic Society's Chorus and Orchestra will be under the conductorship of E. Godfrey Brown, and the soloists will be Elsie Suddaby, Mary Jarred, Harold Bradbury, and Hooton Mitchell.

H. G. Fleet thinks that more amateur gardeners should attempt to grow peaches, pears, and plums; to-night at 7 o'clock he will discuss the indoor fruit garden with Melville Chatfield.

The Voice of the Seaman" is the title of a dramatic account of the lives and working conditions of seamen in British ships the world over; it will be produced by Laurence Gilliam in the National programme at 6-45.

NORTHERN IRELAND (307.1 METRES).

5-0—The Children's Hour. **6-0**—Regional. **7-0**—"The Ulster Garden." The indoor Fruit Garden. A discussion between H. G. Fleet and Melville Chatfield. **7-20**—Northern Ireland News. **7-25**—Weather Forecast for Northern Ireland and Northern Ireland Sports Bulletin.

7-30—"The Wooden Leg.' A radio play, adapted from Lynn Doyle's story by N. C. Hunter. Cast: Allan M'Clelland, James Hodgen, J. G. Devlin, Beatrice Hurwitz, J. R. Mageean, Charlotte Tedlie, C. K. Ayre, Kathleen Porter, and Kenneth Barton. Produced by N. C. Hunter. **8-0**—Regional.

9-0—The Belfast Philharmonic Society's Concert, from the Ulster Hall, Belfast. Parts 2 and 3 of Handel's Oratorio, "Messiah." Elsie Suddaby (soprano), Mary Jarred (contralto); Harold Bradbury (tenor), Hooton Mitchell (bass). The Belfast Philharmonic Society's Chorus; the Belfast Philharmonic Society's Orchestra; leader, Philip Whiteway; conductor, E. Godfrey Brown. **10-0**—Time Signal, Greenwich; News; Weather Forecast; News Talks and Sport. **10-30—12-0**—Regional.

NATIONAL (1,500 METRES).

5-0—"School for Crooners." Jack Jackson and his Band. **6-0**—Time Signal, Greenwich; News; Weather Forecast. **6-30**—Saturday Talk on Sport.

6-45—"The Voice of the Seaman," by A. L. Lloyd. A dramatic account of the lives and working conditions of seamen in British ships the world over. **7-30**—Stop! In Town To-night. **8-0**—Music-hall. **9-0**—Time Signal, Greenwich; News; Weather Forecast and Forecast for Shipping. **9-25**—American Commentary. Raymond Gram Swing. (From America). **9-40** — The B.B.C. Theatre Orchestra; Denis O'Neil (tenor). **10-45** — Bedside Anthology of Diaries and Letters. "December." John C. Maude. **11-0**—Jack Harris and his Band, with Dinah Miller, Pat Taylor, Hughie Diamond; from Ciro's. (Time Signal, Greenwich, at **11-30**). **11-30—12-0**—"Encore!" Dance tunes of the last ten years heard again on gramophone records.

REGIONAL PROGRAMME (342.1 M.).

5-0—The Children's Hour. **6-0**—America Presents "Musical See-saw." Orchestra with Chorus, conducted by Robert Emmet Dolan, from Radio City, New York. **6-30**—"Good News." A programme devoted to the brighter side of life. **7-0**—Time Signal, Greenwich; News Bulletins in French, German, and Italian. **7-30** — London Regional Sports Bulletin. **7-35**—Morley—4. Ballets and Madrigals sung by The Tudor Singers.

8-0—The B.B.C. Orchestra (Section D); Eda Kersey (violin). **9-0**—"Jack's Back." A high-speed dance-band entertainment by Jack Hylton with his Band and numerous artists. **10-0**—Time Signal, Greenwich; News; Weather Forecast; News Talks and Sport. **10-30**—Jack Harris and his Band, with Dinah Miller, Pat Taylor, Hughie Diamond; from Ciro's. **11-30**—Time Signal, Greenwich. "Encore!" Dance tunes of the last ten years heard again on gramophone records. **11-50—12-0**—News and Weather Forecast.

NORTH PROGRAMME (449.1 METRES).

5-0—The Children's Hour. **6-0**—Regional. **6-30**—"Moments de Tendresse." Denis King will play you records bringing to mind a summer evening on the Mediterranean coast. **7-0**—Spotlight on Sport. Boxing. A discussion between Peter Kane, Nel Tarleton, and George Allan. **7-15** (app.)—Association Football. Brentford v. Manchester United. An eye-witness account by Charlie Buchan. **7-20**—Cotton and Wheat Prices; Northern Bulletin for Farmers, and Northern Sports Bulletin.

7-30—Leeds Saturday Concert, from the Town Hall, Leeds. The Northern Philharmonic Orchestra; Nicolai Orloff (pianoforte). Part 1. **8-40**—A Recital by Hubert Dunkerley (baritone). **9-0** — Regional. **10-0** — Time Signal, Greenwich; News; Weather Forecast; News Talk and Sport. **10-30** — Regional. (Time Signal, Greenwich, at **11-30**). **11-50—12-0**—News and Weather Forecast.

SCOTTISH PROGRAMME (391.1 M.).

5-0—The Children's Hour. **6-0**—Time Signal, Greenwich; News; Weather Forecast. **6-15** (app.)—John T. M'Dougall at the Organ of the New Victoria Cinema, Edinburgh. **6-30** — Regional. **7-0**—Scottish Sports News. **7-20**—Scottish Programmes Summary and Scottish Announcements.

7-30—The Choral and Orchestral Union of Glasgow Orchestral Concerts. Germaine Leroux (pianoforte); the Scottish Orchestra. From St. Andrew's Hall, Glasgow. **8-30**—Piping, by Angus Campbell. **8-45**—"The Week in Scotland." John R. Allan. **9-0**—Regional. **10-0**—Time Signal, Greenwich; News; Weather Forecast; News Talks and Sport. **10-30**—Scottish Sports News. **10-40**—Regional. (Time Signal, Greenwich, at **11-30**). **11-50—12-0**—News and Weather Forecast.

EIREANN (531 METRES).

5-30—Tea-time Music by Una Lord's Trio, and vocal solos by Patrick Thornton (baritone). **6-15**—Ballads of an Orangeman. An illustrated talk by Cahir Healy, M.P. **6-45**—News. **7-0**—Newcomers' Hour, No. 11. Singers in English and other languages. Compére, Eric Boden. **8-0**—"Cinniri Eireannach agus an Ghaedhealtacht," II. O'Conaill, le Mairtin O Falithbheartaigh. **8-15**—Irish Radio Orchestra (conductor, Lieut. J. M. Doyle), and Patricia Black (contralto). **9-5**—"Christmas Pie." By John Stephenson. **9-20**—Nuacht an Lae. **9-30**—Sponsored programme. **10-30**—News. Programme concluded by Light Music. **11-0**—Close.

FOREIGN WAVES IN METRES.

Berlin	356.7
Beromunster	539.6
Brussels (No. 1)	483.9
Budapest (No. 1)	549.5
Cologne	455.9
Fecamp	269.5
Frankfurt	251
Heilsberg	291
Hilversum	301.5
Leipzig	382.2
Luxemberg	1304
Milan	368.6
Moscow (No. 1)	1724
Oslo	1154
Paris (Poste Parisien)	312.8
(Radio)	1648
Rome	420.8
Sottens	443.1
Stockholm	426.1
Strasbourg	349.2
Toulouse	328.6
Trieste	245.5
Vienna	506.8
Warsaw	1339

SUNDAY FEATURES.

BELFAST CHURCH RELAY.

CHRISTMAS CHARITY APPEAL.

The second programme in "This Symphony Business" will be broadcast on Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock; George Nash and James Denny will discuss "Picture Music," and the B.B.C. Northern Ireland Orchestra under Walton O'Donnell will provide the illustrations.

The Service at 6-40 comes from Fisherwick Presbyterian Church, Belfast, and the preacher will be the Moderator of the General Assembly, the Right Rev. W. J. Currie, D.D.

Archibald Irwin appeals at 8-45 in the Week's Good Cause on behalf of the City Cripples' Christmas Treat.

The Sunday Evening Concert at 9-5 will be given by Parry Jones (tenor). The Menges String Quartette, Alfred de Reyghere (viola) and Ernest Lush (pianoforte).

NORTHERN IRELAND.

9-30 a.m.—National. **4 p.m.**—"This Symphony Business." **4-30**—Regional. **6-0**—B.B.C Midland Singers. **6-30**—Interval.

6-40—Service from Fisherwick Church, Belfast; Address by the Right Rev. W. J. Currie, D.D., Moderator of the General Assembly; Organist, Thomas S. Forster. **7-50**—Interval.

7-55—Regional. **8-45**—The Week's Good Cause, an appeal on behalf of the City Cripples' Christmas Treat by Archibald Irwin, General Secretary of the Cripples' Institutes. **8-50**—News, Weather Forecast (Time Signal, Greenwich, at **9-0**). **9-5—10-30**—Regional.

NATIONAL PROGRAMME.

9-30 a.m.—Service (Baptist) from the Studio; Address by the Rev. Herbert Morgan, Director of Extra-Mural Studies in the University of Wales, Aberystwyth. **10-5**—Interval.

10-30—Time Signal, Greenwich; Weather Forecast for Farmers and Shipping. **10-45**—Philip Martell and his Forum Theatre Orchestra. **11-30**—The Bernard Crook Quintet. **12-0**—Serenade: Herbert Thorpe (tenor), accompanied by Geoffrey Sisley (guitar), Victor Parker (accordion). **12-15 p.m.** — The Crystal Palace Band; Marjorie Parry (soprano). **1-0**—The Norris Stanley Sextet. **1-30**—Harold Sandler and his Viennese Octet. **2-0**—"In Your Garden"—C. H. Middleton. **2-20**—Orchestral Hour: favourite pieces from the repertoire of the B.B.C. Orchestra (Section E). **3-20**—The Willie Walker Octet.

4-0—Time Signal, Greenwich. Missionary Talk: "The Madras Conference," The Rev. W. J. Noble, Chairman of the Standing Committee of the Conference of British Missionary Societies. **4-20**—The Gershom Parkington Quintet. **5-0**—The Paradoxes of the Gospel (The Sermon on the Mount To-day)—4, A. D. Lindsay, C.B.E., LL.D., Master of Balliol. **5-20**—Beethoven: Egon Petri (pianoforte). **6-0**—Sandy Macpherson at the B.B.C. Theatre Organ. **6-35**—"The Fortnight's Films": F. Buckley Hargreaves. **6-50**—Orchestre Raymonde; Sigurd Rascher (saxophone). **7-50**—Interval.

7-55—Service (Church of England) from the Concert Hall, Broadcasting House.

8-45—The Week's Good Cause. **8-50**—News, Weather Forecast (Time Signal, Greenwich, at **9-0**). **9-5**—Terence de Marney as "Gerard" in Charles Reade's famous romance "The Cloister and the Hearth," adapted as a radio serial by H. Beaufoy Milton. **9-35**—Waldteufel, a programme devoted to the life and music of this master of the waltz. **10-30**—Epilogue (Time Signal, Greenwich, at **11-0**) (Shipping Forecast at **11-0**).

REGIONAL PROGRAMME.

9-30 a.m.—National programme. **4 p.m.**—Time Signal, Greenwich. The Welbeck Light Quartet. **4-20**—"Music of the Week." Scott Goddard. **4-30**—For the Children. "A Room at the Inn." A Christmas Masque, by Eleanor and Herbert Farjeon, with music by Harry Farjeon. Produced by Geoffrey Dearmer. **5-0** — The B.B.C. Military Band. **5-30**—"These You Have Loved." A gramophone record programme. Presented by Doris Arnold. **6-0**—News Bulletins in French, German, and Italian. **6-30**—Fred Hartley and his Sextet, with Brian Lawrance. **6-50**—"Fjord and Fell." A picture of life in Norway, by D. G. Bridson. **7-50**—Interval.

7-55—Service (Church of England) from Holy Trinity Church, St. Marylebone. Address by the Rev. G. F. Saywell.

8-45—The Week's Good Cause. **8-50**—News; Weather Forecast. (Time Signal, Greenwich, at **9-0**). **9-5**—Sunday Evening Concert—11 (ninth season). Parry Jones (tenor), The Menges String Quartet, with Alfred de Reyghere (viola), and Ernest Lush (pianoforte). **10-30**—Epilogue.

NORTH PROGRAMME.

9-30 a.m.—National programme. **4 p.m.**—Time Signal, Greenwich. Community Carol Singing. Arranged by the Halifax Round Table, from Victoria Hall, Halifax. Halifax Festival Choir, and the Halifax Orchestral Society. **4-20**—Regional. **5-30**—Two Northern Dialect Classics. "Throp's Wife," by F. W. Moorman, told by C. H. Chapman. "The Hay-bag," by Edwin Waugh, told by Frank Compton. **5-50**—"Slices of Life." Tamar Hoggarth. **6-5**—Cleethorpes Festival Choir. **6-30** — Regional. **6-50**—"Fjord and Fell." A picture of life in Norway by D. G. Bridson, with music and dances specially recorded by the Norsk Rikskringkasting of Oslo. **7-50**—Interval.

7-55—Service (Roman Catholic) from St. John's Cathedral, Salford.

8-45—The Week's Good Cause. **8-50**—News; Weather Forecast. (Time Signal, Greenwich, at **9-0**). **9-5**—Regional. **10-30**—Epilogue.

SCOTTISH.

9-30 a.m.—National. **10-45**—A Pianoforte Recital by Euphemia Gray. **11-15** — "Meditation in Wyntir," by William Dunbar, and some other Scottish poems. Read by Rex de la Haye. **11-30**—National. **2 p.m.**—"Marriage," by Susan Ferrier. **6**—"Escape from Glenfern." **2-20**—National. **4-0** — Time Signal, Greenwich. Regional. **6-0**—Scottish Music of To-day. The songs of Francis George Scott. Marie Thomson (soprano), George Fleming (baritone). **6-30** — Regional. **6-50** — Northern programme. **7-50**—Interval.

7-55—Service (Church of Scotland) from Netherlee Church, Glasgow. Address by the Rev. Walter M. Clow.

8-45—The Week's Good Cause. **8-50**—News; Weather Forecast. (Time Signal, Greenwich, at **9-0**). **9-5**—Regional. **10-30**—Epilogue.

EIREANN.

1-30 till **3 p.m.**—Gramophone Concert. **5-30**—A programme of Carols (recorded). **6-0**—Louis Lee's Accordion Band. **6-40**—"Shut Doors." A Christmas play, by Eily MacAdam. **7-0**—Piano and Vocal Recital. Jennie Reddin (piano). Vocal duets: Cecilia MacMenamin (mezzo-soprano) and Leo Maguire (bass).

7-30 — Carol Service relayed from Methodist Centenary Church, St. Stephen's Green. **8-0**—Taisgealuithe Mora: Captain Cooke, le Sean O Ciosain. **8-15**—Question Time, No. 15. **8-50**—Special Ceilidhe Band Combination, directed by Cormac MacFhionnlaoich. **9-20**—Sports Summary, by J. L. Brennan. **9-30**—Sponsored programme. **10-30**—Five Minute Appeal on behalf of Little Flower Penny Dinners, by Rev. Valentine Burke, C.C. **10-35**—News. **10-45**—Sean O Ceallachain. Sports Talk. **11-0**—Close.

THREE BURNED TO DEATH.

CAR CRASH IN GERMANY.

BERLIN, Friday.—Three persons were burned to death at Frankfort to-day, when a motor car crashed into a tram. The petrol tank of the car exploded and in a moment it was a mass of flames. The doors jammed, preventing a rescue.—Exchange.

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MONDAY'S WIRELESS.

EARLY PROGRAMME SURVEY

NORTHERN IRELAND.

10-15 a.m.—National. **10-30** — Weather Forecast for Farmers and Shipping. **10-45** till **5 p.m.**—Regional.

NATIONAL PROGRAMME.

10-15 a.m.—The Daily Service. **10-30**—Time Signal, Greenwich; Weather Forecast for Farmers and Shipping. **10-45**—"Past Twelve and a Stormy Night." A talk on eighteenth-century London. T. A. M. Bishop. **11-0**—A Ballad Concert. Rosina Verne (contralto). Ashmoor Burch (baritone). **11-30**—Horace Finch at the Organ of the Empress Ballroom, Blackpool. **12-0**—An interlude of Gramophone Records. **12-10 p.m.**—"Champagne Charlie." Arthur Hayward. **12-25** — Round the London Organs — 11. Westminster Abbey. A description of the organ, followed by a short recital, by Ernest Bullock. **1-0**—The Band of his Majesty's Royal Marines (Plymouth Division). **1-40**—"The White Whale." A serial reading from Herman Melville's "Moby Dick," by Geoffrey Tandy. **2-0**—Time Signal, Greenwich. Gramophone Records.

2-30—The Philip Whiteway Ensemble. (From Northern Ireland). **3-0**—Arthur Salisbury and his Orchestra, from the Savoy Hotel, London. **3-30**—"Here Comes the Band." Gramophone records of favourite military bands. **4-0**—A Sonata Recital. Elsie Owen (violin), Harry Isaacs (pianoforte). **4-30**—"From Gounod to Milhaud." A survey of recorded French song, by Sydney Northcote, D.Mus.

REGIONAL PROGRAMME.

10-15 a.m.—The Daily Service. **10-30**—Time Signal, Greenwich; Weather Forecast for Farmers and Shipping. **10-45**—The B.B.C. Scottish Orchestra. **11-30**—Gramophone Records. **12-0**—Alfred Van Dam and his State Orchestra. **12-45 p.m.**—Dance Music on gramophone Records. **1-15**—Light Music from Germany. Adalbert Lutter Orchestra; Inge Vesten (soprano), Albert Bräu (saxophone), Danzi Hawaiian Duettists. From Berlin. **2-0**—The Clifford Quintet. **2-30**—Gramophone Records. **3-0**—The Bath Pump Room Orchestra. **4-0**—Jack Wilson and a piano. **4-15**—"The Home of 10,000 Bats." Oliver K. Whiting. **4-30**—Two Two's.

NORTH PROGRAMME.

10-15 a.m.—The Daily Service. **10-30**—Time Signal, Greenwich; Weather Forecast for Farmers and Shipping. **10-45** till **5 p.m.**—Regional.

SCOTTISH.

10-15 a.m.—The Daily Service. **10-30**—Time Signal, Greenwich; Weather Forecast for Farmers and Shipping. **10-45** — Regional. **2-25 p.m.**—Weather Forecast for Scottish Herring Fishermen. **2-30—5-0**—Regional.

EIREANN.

1-30 till **3 p.m.**—Gramophone Concert.

BELFAST MUSEUM.

EVOLUTION OF TRANSPORT.

RELICS OF THE ROAD.

The report of the Committee of the Public Museums and Art Gallery of Belfast for the year ending March 31, 1938, has just been issued. The total number of visitors in the period under review was 123,689, giving a daily average of 399. Nearly 2,000 objects were added to the collections, the most important being the Robb Collection of Irish and other antiquities.

A special reference is also made to six obsolete horse-drawn carriages given by Mr. A. C. Nickson, which formerly belonged to the late Wm. Chaine, D.L., of Cairncastle, Co. Antrim. Although so short a time has elapsed since such vehicles were used they are difficult to procure for preservation to illustrate the evolution of road transport and are of special interest in consequence. They are housed in the courtyard and may be seen on application.

SOME PEOPLE WILL AGREE.

A woman said at Wood Green (London) Police Court:—"I could not conceal my temper. Women never can. They are too natural."

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TOMMY FARR BEATEN

TITLE FIGHT HOPES SHATTERED.

LAST ROUNDS FATEFUL.

NOVA'S DESPERATE RALLY

PRODUCED WINNING PUNCHES.

NEW YORK, Saturday. — Tommy Farr's hopes of another tilt at Joe Louis for the heavyweight championship of the world were shattered at the Madison Square Garden last night, when in a fight, which was regarded as his last chance to make good in the United States, he was outpointed by the 23-year-old comparative novice Lou Nova in a thrilling 15-round contest.

Battered and disillusioned, Farr must be thinking that Dame Fortune played a scurvy trick on him.

A left hook to the jaw in the 14th round, up to which point he had victory within his grasp, was responsible for sending Farr toppling down the rickety ladder of fistic fame.

Farr, after a slow and cautious start, began to wear his man down, and he appeared to be on top when Nova, in sheer desperation, fought like a wild man.

He rushed in madly with arms flailing, and there was undoubtedly an element of luck about the blow which sent Farr staggering across the ring.

Farr, tough as he is, never recovered from that blow, and Nova, realising that he had his man at his mercy, went punch-crazy.

Encouraged by the terrific roars of the crowd of about 13,000 people, Nova pummelled away unmercifully, and when he had Farr reeling and tottering drunkenly against the ropes unable to defend himself, the crowd roared to the referee, Eddie Joseph, to "Stop it."

TRIBUTE TO LOSER.

The courage which endeared Farr to the American fight "fans" in his previous fights was again very much in evidence. It was sheer "guts" that kept him on his feet.

It is probable that Farr's pluck made him far more popular with the crowd than if he had won the decision.

Dazed and disappointed, Farr braced himself when the result was announced, and walked over to the microphone to acknowledge the cheers. However bitter the result must have been, Farr can console himself with the knowledge that he fought a good, clean and courageous fight.

Farr took his defeat philosophically. There were no alibis.

"My hands were quite good," he told the Press Association, "but I was a little out with my distance, probably the result of a nine months' lay-off. I want a few more fights, and then I shall be ready to take on anybody.

"I am sorry I lost, and I should like to fight Nova again. He is a good counter-puncher."

Joe Gould, Farr's manager, stated that he would try to arrange a return contest with Nova. "I may decide to-morrow," he said.

Farr was enraged by the report which was circulated after the fight that he wanted the referee to stop the fight in the fourteenth round.

"I don't know the meaning of the word 'quit,'" he said.

Asked what his future plans were, Farr, referring to the report that he intended to retire from the ring if he lost, said, "I don't know what I shall do. I am going to bed to think it over."

Nova, whom some critics consider is another Gene Tunney or Jim Corbett, was very modest about the victory which has catapulted him to the dizzy heights of championship class.

"I felt very sorry for Farr," he said. "I thought the referee should have stopped the fight in the fourteenth round. I thought Tommy looked to the referee to do so. Farr is the gamest man I have ever fought."

WHOLE-HEARTED FIGHTERS.

The duel was a thrilling affair between two whole-hearted fighters, and at times it developed into a "battle royal."

Farr fought a more upright fight than hitherto in the United States, and he did not resort to so much bobbing and weaving. He concentrated on hard punches to the body, his chief weapon being a right to Nova's left side, which was red raw at the finish.

Nova, a product of the boxing club which turned out Jim Corbett, and in later years Fidel la Barba and Fred Apostoli to win world championship honours, has a remarkably fine prospect. Louis will do well to look out if Nova gets the promised fight for the world title next year. He boxed beautifully in the early rounds, using his long left effectively, and landing telling two-fisted blows to Farr's head.

Nova won three of the first four rounds by judicious use of his left, and the cool confident manner in which he met Farr's attacks. Farr began to warm to his task in the fifth round, in which Nova, carried by the impetus of a wild swing, crashed to the floor. He was up immediately.

Nova won the next two rounds, but Farr rallied, and his fierce punching earned him the eight and ninth. He fought recklessly in the eighth round and smashed through Nova's defence with ease.

Nova, who had been unsteadied a little by the speed of Farr's attacks, regained his balance and boxing coolly won the tenth

Encouraged by shouts of, "Come on Tommy," Farr, pumping left jabs into Nova's face, and pummelling his body, won the next three rounds.

Then came the dramatic climax. Nova, with arms whirling like a madman, urged on by the roaring crowd, had Farr almost out on his feet.

During those hectic moments Farr proved himself to be as game as any British boxer ever was in facing such a terrific pounding.

He was given a tremendous ovation as he left the ring.

The crowd of about 10.443 people who paid 31,538 dollars (about £6,307), among them being world champions or ex-champions in Tony Canzoneri, Tommy Loughran, Jack Dempsey, and Gene Tunney, can scarcely have seen a more plucky loser.

"FISTIC EXTINCTION" IN U.S.?

It is a pity that, as the Associated Press writer put it, "That defeat means Farr's fistic extinction so far as America is concerned."

The referee and judges were divided in their judgment. The referee gave seven rounds to each man, with one even Judge Lynch gave eight rounds to Nova and seven to Farr, and Judge Kelly made Nova win ten rounds and Farr four, with one even.

Farr, who entered the ring a 7 to 5 on favourite, scaled 14st 7lbs, his lightest weight for a fight in America, and Nova 14st 3lb.

Nova, a former college football, basket ball, and track star in California, has only lost one fight since he turned professional in 1936. That was against Maxie Rosenbloom, the former lightweight champion of the world.

His meteoric rise to fame is all the more romantic since he is a comparative novice, having only been fighting for three years. His victory over Gunner Baerlund, whom some critics had been hailing as future world champion, put him into the front rank, but there were many who did not attach too much importance to this triumph because Baerlund was suffering from the after-effects of influenza.

Nova's clash with Farr was his first fifteen round effort.

His manager, Ray Carlen, has not the slightest doubt about him winning the world championship in the near future.

"He has everything Gene Tunney had, and something that Gene didn't have," says Carlen. "He is a beautiful stand-up boxer, and some old-timers say he is the coolest thing to James J. Corbett that they have seen."

Nova was born in Los Angeles on March 16, 1915. He was only six when his father, a musician, died. His mother, who had been a trained nurse, moved to New York, and Nova went to a Brooklyn public school before returning to California Alammada High School, where he developed as an all round athlete.

He later went to Sacramento Junior College, where his ability as a footballer attracted the attention of scouts from the leading universities. Deciding that a living had to be got, Nova went to work on the Cross Bar Bridge in San Francisco, and it was while at that job that he acquired the urge to box.

His mother was of Scottish-Irish extraction, and his father was of Italian-German blood.—P.A. Foreign Special.

NOVA'S NEXT OPPONENT?

VIENNA, Saturday.—Lou Nova's next opponent may be Heinz Lazek, the European heavyweight champion.

Herr Rudolph, Lazek's manager, is reported here to have stated that his charge is going to New York next month, and that he will meet the winner of last night's contest.—P.A. Foreign Special.

BOON—DANAHAR TITLE FIGHT.

The N.S.C. have offered a purse of £1,500 for a lightweight title contest between Eric Boon, the new champion, and Arthur Danahar, former amateur champion, to take place at the Empress Stadium, Earl's Court, London, in two months' time.

NEGROES TO BATTLE FOR WORLD TITLE.

LOUIS TO MEET LEWIS.

FIGHT WILL MAKE HISTORY.

TO BE STAGED NEXT MONTH.

NEW YORK, Saturday.—Joe Louis, world's heavyweight champion, and his challenger, John Henry Lewis, former holder of the world's light-heavyweight championship, signed contracts yesterday in New York for their heavyweight title fight, to be held at Madison Square Garden on January 25.

The fight, which will be the first ever to take place between two negroes for the world's heavyweight boxing title, is expected to fill the Garden.—P.A. Foreign Special.

JIMMY WARNOCK ON THE SCALES.

SATISFACTORY TEST.

NOW UNDER BANTAM POUNDAGE.

The best evidence that Jimmy Warnock, training for a "come back" contest at 8st 6lb against Benny Jones (Hanley) in the King's Hall, Belfast, on December 26, is making a serious effort to regain his famous flyweight form was provided this forenoon (writes "The Timekeeper") when in the presence of Mr. John Sholdis, the promoter of the forthcoming tourney, and myself, he was specially weighed, and scaled 8st 5½lbs, this being well within the required poundage nine days before he weighs-in officially.

Although he will be fighting on this occasion at the bantam limit, Warnock aims at being as near the flyweight mark as desirable, jubilantly reporting himself strong and fit despite the task he has already so well accomplished.

Warnock's "weight-lifting" performance will be specially appreciated by all who bear in mind that the present cold weather is anything but helpful to an athlete engaged in reducing, and the fact that Jimmy was scaled on Monday last, weighing 8st 9lb, is further proof that he is well along the right road. Since he started training he has dropped over a stone in weight.

I was specially invited to be present at to-day's weigh-in by Mr. Sholdis, so that if everything proved satisfactory, I would be in a position to give the necessary assurance to shoals of interested enthusiasts who have been inquiring as to Warnock's progress in training.

PROMOTER DELIGHTED.

Mr. Sholdis was aware of Monday's weigh-in test, but he was as gratified as Warnock himself at to-day's satisfactory revelation. In fact, he sought to curb Jimmy's announced desire to "get down" further.

Warnock who, however, was as happy as a schoolboy at being able to produce this evidence of his sincerity in training, announced that he was feeling in the best of fettle, and wanted to demonstrate to his well-wishers that he was far from being "a back number" as a flyweight.

At the Beresford Club last evening Warnock covered six keen rounds with Harry and Davy Fisher, respectively Ulster amateur featherweight and bantamweight champion, taking them in alternate rounds so that each boy would be perfectly fresh for the next "go." Warnock's fighting form pleased all who were present at the work out.

This news of Warnock's progress will be widely welcomed, and in view of it there is certain to be a big rally of fans to see his test at the tourney, the top-line feature of which is the ten rounds fight between Spider Kelly (Derry), British and Empire featherweight champion, and Jackie Hurst, the London title contender.

118-YEAR-OLD MALAY FOUND.

A man who it is believed was born at the time when the first British settlers arrived in South Africa in 1820 has been discovered by the authorities at Capetown.

He is Cariel Hendricks, a Malay, better known as Tatatjie. "Tatatjie" was discovered after a 70-year-old Malay woman had applied for an old age pension for her father. The old man's first child was born shortly after the start of the Great Trek in 1836.

His parents were slaves and he himself was a slave on a farm near Newlands (Capetown). Although his mind is not too clear he still recalls a time when bread cost 2d a loaf and meat 1d a pound.

"My children are like sand in the sea," he said in an interview, "they cannot be counted. They are strewn across the earth."

"Tatatjie" has been blind for the last 40 years and his hearing is also impaired. He finds great difficulty in moving about, but considers it a privilege to be so long on this earth.—Reuter.

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CALL IT WRESTLING.

CROWD ROAR APPROVAL OF LATEST THRILL

AT KING'S HALL, BALMORAL.

UNMANNERLY GREETING SALUTE.

The crowd roared at the King's Hall, Belfast, last evening, as it showed its approval of the latest thrill in all-action wrestling—the team bout. Scenes were indescribable as the hall rose as one man to howl while four wrestlers flung each other in and out of the ropes with a ferocity that has never before been equalled.

In introducing this attraction Mr. Nat Joseph has retained the fans' interest in this latest of crazy sports. In danger of becoming blase the enthusiasts found all their old enthusiasm and more as they lost themselves in a new frenzy.

The match was one between von Brockau (Germany) and Ronnie Hurst (Liverpool), who were opposed to Pat Magee, billed as Antrim's bearded wrestler, and Stan Garside, of Liverpool.

The crowd seemed to take a dislike to von Brockau and greeted his Nazi salute in a most unmannerly fashion. The clenched fist of his team-mate raised a laugh. Magee and Garside made a less exhibitionistic entry.

SEIZE MAGEE'S BEARD.

Round one had the hall at fever pitch before it had gone 60 seconds. Von Brockau conceiving a tremendous like for the beard of Antrim's wrestler, took hold of it, and did things to it that weren't ordinary. Magee was hurled backwards and forwards, from one side of the ring to the other, while one wondered could the beard hold out. Never on his feet for two consecutive seconds, he seemed like a shuttlecock he flew through the air so much.

In the meantime Hurst tied Garside in a few knots and kicked him contemptuously out of the ring, for the meantime, hors de combat. He then joined von Brockau in the extermination of Magee and he, too, quickly realised the advantage of the hairy chin.

The speed with which the two wrestlers punished Magee was amazing. Von Brockau held the hapless Magee in his arms while Hurst took flying leaps at him. They threw him back and forwards. They put him through the ropes and pulled him back by the—you guessed right—he still needed a shave. As a conclusion to the round von Brockau danced on Magee's face, while hurst danced on his chest. There was still no sign of Garside.

The second round found Magee a very sore guy indeed, mentally at any rate, and he proceeded to push Hurst around to no small extent. Garside, a virtual whirlwind, took his revenge on von Brockau in a manner which left no doubt that he thought he had been badly treated in the first round.

ALLIANCE AGAINST HURST.

Finally, Garside tied von Brockau very effectively in the ropes and rushed over to help Magee to kill Hurst. Poor Hurst! The round finished when Garside and Magee had used up every piece of ingenuity with which they were endowed trying to think up things to do to Hurst. They were both well endowed.

The first two rounds, however, were slow sort of affairs compared with the final one, and it is very doubtful if anyone could give a very lucid account of it. Magee, who had taken falls in and out of the ring in every conceivable fshion, was little more than a passenger while von Brockau and partner had fun with Garside. The crowning moment was when Hurst was taking his fifth two foot landing on Hurst's chest, the latter being held up for punishment by von Broackau. In some mysterious fashion Garside managed to extricate himself from von Brackau's grips, and Mr. Hurst landed full in the face of the man he was supposed to be helping. This created a little piece of misunderstanding between Hurst and von Brockau, and Magee and Garside had little trouble polishing them off. The bout should have finished then, but von Brockau was on bad terms with Mr. Joseph, who tried to placate him, his opponents, and particularly the crowd.

The crowd in return showed that it thought very little of von Brockau, and from all sides there were invitations of a pugnacious nature. The German stamped round the ring, tried to tear up the canvas, had a flying kick at his partner, made a grab for the bottle, threatened large sections of the crowd, and was finally persuaded to leave under protection for that holy of holies—the place where all-in wrestlers are to be found before and after wrestling, which must be quite a spot.

In the opening bout, Steve Szalay and Johnny Katsulos, two fine wrestlers, settled their differences of a fortnight ago when the former won after a long clean wrestle of about eight rounds.

The Masked Marvel and Hec Trudeau, Chicago's No. 1 public enemy, did battle for the latter to gain the points, while Tiger Tasker, of Alaska (who also has a beard) was subdued by Eddie Jackson, of France.

PAINFUL TRAGEDY, SAYS CORONER.

SAD BELFAST DISCOVERY.

INQUEST ON BABY VICTIM.

"This is a most painful tragedy and I have every sympathy with Mr. Bannon and every sympathy with the mother," said Mr. T. E. Alexander (coroner) at the inquest to-day touching the death of Catherine Bannon, aged three weeks, of Abyssinia Street (Leeson Street), who was found by the father lying beside its mother with its throat cut on a mat at the bottom of the stairs in their home at 8-30 a.m. on December 2.

A verdict was returned that the child was found dead and that death was due to hemorrhage following a wound to the throat, inflicted by Annie Bannon, the mother.

The father, John Bannon, described how he found the child and mother with their throats cut. Later he saw Constable James Armstrong take possession of a blood-stained razor which was lying on the floor near his wife. It was one of two kept by him in the kitchen cabinet.

Witness explained that prior to the birth of the child his wife had been in hospital with internal hemorrhage, and that afterwards she became depressed and peculiar, and did not take much interest in the home. He had always lived in most affectionate terms with his wife and knew of no reason, except ill-health, why she should have committed the act which she had never theatened.

District-Inspector Cullen, who represented the police, also expressed sympathy to the father.

BADCOCK 271 AND UNBEATEN.

RECORD ADELAIDE STAND.

O'REILLY PUNISHED.

ADELAIDE, Saturday.—C. L. Badcock and R. A. Hamence, continuing their partnership in the Sheffield Shield match here to-day, made a stand of 203, a South Australian fourth wicket record for matches against New South Wales.

South Australia eventually declared at 600 for 8, a record for the State in matches with New South Wales.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA—First Innings.

R. S. Whitington c James b Murphy	0
K. Ridings b O'Reilly	31
D. G. Bradman b Murphy	143
C. L. Badcock not out	271
R. A. Hamence c Barnes b Fitzpatrick	90
C. W. Walker lbw b O'Reilly	0
M. G. Waite run out	21
F. Ward b Barnes	0
C. V. Grimmett run out	35
Extras	9
Total (for 8 wickets)	600

Innings declared closed.

Bowling—O'Reilly two for 99, Murphy two for 126, Fitzpatrick one for 40, Barnes one for 62.

NEW SOUTH WALES—First Innings.

J. Fitzpatrick not out	22
A. G. Cheetham not out	16
Extras	2
Total (for no wicket)	40

—Press Association Special.

HASSETT SCORES CENTURY.

MELBOURNE, Saturday. — Victoria soon passed the Queensland total of 184 in the Sheffield Shield match here to-day.

The first threeBictoria wickets to fall went to a newcomer to State cricket, J. Ellis, a fast right-hander, who accounted for K. E. Rigg, R. G. Gregory, and J. Ledward.

Hassett reached his century in just over three hours without giving a chance.

The last wicket stand produced 95 runs.

QUEENSLAND (first innings) — 184 (W. A. Brown 61; L. O'B. Fleetwood-Smith six for 58).

BICTORIA—First Innings.

K. E. Rigg b Ellis	36
I. Lee run out	7
R. G. Gregory c D. Tallon b Ellis	53
J. Ledward c D. Tallon b Ellis	8
A. L. Hassett c Dixon b Ellis	104
F. Sides lbw b Cook	42
E. H. Bromley b Cook	21
L. O'B. Fleetwood-Smith c Brown b Ellis	0
E. L. M'Cormick b Christ	29
W. Sievers not out	67
Extras	29
Total	376

Bowling:—Ellis five for 104, Cook three for 67.

QUEENSLAND—Second Innings.

W. A. Brown not out	10
R. Rogers not out	22
Extras	3
Total (for no wicket)	35

—Press Association Special.

JUNIOR IMPERIAL LEAGUE.

VARIETY MARKET AT HEADQUARTERS

A variety market under the auspices of the Junior Imperial League was held last evening in the Unionist Headquarters, Glengall Street, by Mrs. Christopher Lindsay.

In the chair was Mr. William Grant, J.P., M.P.

Mr. Grant said he was pleased to be present at this initial effort of the League to raise funds. Many people were unaware of the work that the League was doing. The League was an organisation of young men and women who were doing everything they could to keep Unionism in Northern Ireland and assisting in every possible way to put forward the aims and objects for which Unionism stood in Northern Ireland.

They needed funds to help them increase their efforts in this fine cause, and for this reason they were holding this variety market.

Introducing Mrs. Lindsay, Mr. Grant said that as Miss Leslie Bell she had been one of their most brilliant orators.

Mrs. Lindsay said she was glad to help the League by opening the sale. From a very early age she had been very actively connected with Unionism. First by force and later through her own interest. The Imperialists deserved support for they had helped at elections and also in the country market which they had held in the Ulster Hall, and now it was the turn of the Imperialists to be helped.

Miss Margaret Hunter, daughter of the organising secretary, presented Mrs. Lindsay with a bouquet.

Miss N. Spence proposed and Mr. E. Arnold seconded a vote of thanks to Mrs. Lindsay and Mr. Grant for their help.

Mr. Arnold said that the work of the Imperialists was particularly necessary now when there was so much lying propaganda against Ulster being circulated.

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FOOTBALL IN DERRY.

CITY CLUB'S PROBLEMS.

MAY HAVE TO CLOSE DOWN.

There is a possibility that Derry City Football Club will have to close down in the not far distant future unless better financial support is forthcoming.

This was learned by a "Telegraph" representative yesterday. He was also informed that the public response to the Board of Directors decision to issue 6,000 shares at 5s each had so far not been very satisfactory.

At the meeting of the directors, at which the decision to issue the shares was arrived at it was clearly explained that the shares were not to be regarded as an investment, but more in the nature of a subscription to sport in the city.

Sir Dudley M'Corkell, M.B.E., D.L., chairman of the Board of Directors, in an interview, said the club could not carry on without a certain amount of financial support, and he would appeal to football enthusiasts in the North-West to rally round the club.

The team, he pointed out, had recently shown improved form, and better support would give them the encouragement they required. With that better support and encouragement they might do well in the Irish Cup, which would always be a help. Lately the gates at home matches had been wretched. He knew times were not good, but picture houses were always full, and if the public wanted to retain the sport in the city much better support was necessary.

The Derry City Club was formed in 1929 with an issued capital of £1,176. For the past four seasons the team were runners-up in the Irish League, only missing the top place last year after a test match. They have won the City Cup competition twice, and have been in the finals of the Gold Cup and Irish Cup.

The directors have circularised supporters and well-wishers of the club.

The position, it is understood, is that the company is now in a bad financial position owing to decreased gates and to an unfortunate series of injuries to players, which had resulted in temporarily increased expenditure. Some financial support from the public was urgently needed if the club was not to be closed down immediately.

OUR OVERSEAS MAIL.

DESPATCH AND ARRIVAL.

COMPILED FOR THE "TELEGRAPH."

COUNTRY	Next Despatch	Box Closing	Next Mail due
Argentine, Paraguay and Uruguay	Dec. 23	8.15 a.m.	Dec. 20
(3) Australia	—	—	Dec. 19
Bahamas and Bermuda	Dec. 20	4.30 p.m.	Dec. 19
Bolivia	Dec. 23	8.15 a.m.	—
Brazil	Dec. 23	8.15 a.m.	—
Canada per ss Hamburg	Dec. 20	7. 0 p.m.	Dec. 20
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Canary Isles	Dec. 18	3. 0 p.m.	—
Central America. British Honduras, Guatemala, Honduras Rep., Nicaragua, Panama, Salvador, Cuba, Mexico	Dec. 23	7. 0 p.m.	Dec. 20
Chili (ex North)	Dec. 23	8.15 a.m.	—
Chili (North)	Dec 21	noon	—
*China via Siberia	Dec. 18	3. 0 p.m.	Dec. 20
China	Dec. 21	7. 0 p.m.	—
Colombia	Dec. 21	noon	—
Costa Rica	Dec. 23	7. 0 p.m.	—
(3) East Africa (Kenya, Uganda and Zanzibar)	—	—	Dec. 21
Ecuador	Dec. 23	8.15 a.m.	—
(5) Egypt, Soudan and Palestine, etc.	—	—	Dec. 23
Europe (all parts)	Daily 8.15 a.m., noon, 4.15, 5.35, 7.0 p.m.		—
Guianas, British, Dutch and French	Dec. 20	4.30 p.m.	—
(5) India, Aden and Iraq	—	—	Dec. 21
Jamaica	Dec. 21	8.15 a.m.	Dec. 21
*Japan via Siberia	Dec. 18	3. 0 p.m.	Dec. 20
Japan via Vancouver	Dec. 23	7. 0 p.m.	—
Madeira	Dec. 21	8.15 a.m.	Dec. 24
Newfoundland	Dec. 23	7. 0 p.m.	—
(3) New Zealand	—	—	Dec. 21
(2) South Africa	—	—	Dec. 21
(3) Straits Settlements, Siam, French Indo-China, &c.	—	—	Dec. 21
U.S.A. per ss Hamburg	Dec. 20	7. 0 p.m.	—
Do. Do. (Supplementary)	Dec. 21	4.15 p.m.	—
Venezuela	Dec. 20	4.30 p.m.	—
West Coast of Africa—Belgian Congo, Sierra Leone, Gold Coast and Nigeria	Dec. 21	8.15 a.m.	Dec. 23
West Indies—Leeward Isles, Barbados, Trinidad, Grenada	Dec. 21	noon	Dec. 20

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(2) By Air twice weekly.
(3) By Air three times weekly.
(5) By Air five times weekly.

LIBERTY STATUE AGAIN OPEN.

When the Statue of Liberty was reopened recently after nearly a year of renovating work it was stated that nearly 250,000 people had visited the guardian of the New York harbour for the year ended last September.

Weighing 225 tons, the statue is 152 feet high, while the length of the right arm holding the torch is 40 feet long.

Other dimensions are—thickness of waist, 35ft., length of nose 4ft. 6ins., thickness of head 10ft., width of mouth 3ft., and the width of an eye 2ft. 6ins.

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A Hand With The Moral—Don't Despise Part Scores

By *"ACE OF SPADES"*

"WELL, partner, we didn't lose points anyway, for I had four honours in my own hand. I would have been two down if I hadn't found the King of Spades once saved on my right."

"I suppose I should have passed your 'one Spade' bid, but there's no harm done. After all, it was only a part score contract."

After this conversation, which took place at a card table the other day, the players proceeded to play the next hand, entirely oblivious of the fact that that despised "part score contract" would have had a vital effect on the result of the rubber.

Here is the hand:—

	♠ 7 6 5	
	♥ Q J 10 4 3	
	♦ K 10 6	
	♣ 9 5	
♠ A Q J 10 9	N	♠ 8 4 2
♥ 9	W E	♥ K 6 5 2
♦ 9 4 2	S	♦ J 7 5
♣ A 10 8 7		♣ K 6 3
	♠ K 3	
	♥ A 8 7	
	♦ A Q 8 3	
	♣ Q J 4 2	

The score was "game all" and West was dealer. The bidding was:—

W.	N.	E.	S.
1S.	N.B.	1N.T.	N.B.
2S.	N.B.	N.B.	N.B.

COULD HAVE MADE CONTRACT.

North led the Queen of Hearts, and South won the trick, beating dummy's King with the Ace. A heart was returned, West winning with a trump. The declarer won the third trick in dummy with the King of Clubs, and having successfully finessed against the King of Spades drew the opposing trumps, hoping to make his eighth trick with his fourth club. He was defeated because South won two tricks in clubs. These tricks with one in hearts and three in diamonds made six in all for the defence.

None of the players seemed to notice that West could, and should, have made his contract as the cards lay, against any defence. The correct play after winning the second trick is to win two tricks in clubs and to lead a third round of clubs at trick five.

Now the defence is powerless. Whatever South leads, West must get the lead, at latest, after the defenders have won three tricks in diamonds. On getting the lead the declarer should lead his last club, trumping in dummy, if necessary, with the "eight." Now a successful finesse in trumps enables the declarer to win eight tricks in all, five in spades, two in clubs, and one by trumping a club in dummy.

VITAL EFFECT ON RUBBER.

I have said that making this contract would have had a vital effect on the result of the rubber Here is the reason: the next hand was one of those touch-and-go affairs on which nine tricks can be made in a major suit, but there is just a chance of making ten tricks. With a part score, East-West would have stopped in "three spades" at most and North-South could not have "saved" in any higher contract. However, having no score, they contracted to make four spades. This bid was doubled and, in trying to get rid of a loser, East was two down, 500 points to North-South.

On the following hand, North-South bid and made a small slam in hearts, thereby winning the rubber. Thus we find that the swing on the "two spades" hand was enormous. East-West should have scored 160 points on that hand and 90 points on the next hand, which with the bonus for the rubber would have meant 750 points in all As it was, North-South scored 500 points on the second hand and 930 on the third. These scores, with 500 points for the rubber, made 1,930 to North-South. So East-West actually lost 2,680 points through West's bad play in the first of these hands.

And East said at the time, "There's no harm done"!

OBVIOUS MORAL.

The moral to be drawn from this tale is very obvious. Never despise a part score; never play careless just because there is no game at stake. You never know what the next hand will be like. It may be that because you have a part score the opposition will be found to make a sacrifice bid over a small contract bid by you or your partner to save the game or the rubber. Most certainly you will not be called upon to make a risky bid in order to avoid missing game.

A part score is a most valuable asset in rubber bridge. I could say a lot more about this subject, but I must leave it for the moment, because I want to say something about the Belfast pairs championship which was completed on Wednesday last.

A REMARKABLE SCORE.

The first qualifying round of this contest was won by Misses I. and R. Frazer, with a score which was slightly over 60 per cent. In the second qualifying round Miss I Frazer played with Mr. Alan Watson and won with the remarkable score of over 75 per cent. To win either qualifying round is an excellent performance. To have won both was outstanding, and is a great tribute to Miss Frazer's ability at the game.

The ultimate winners of the championship were Messrs. H. Lindsay and M. M'Lernon. They played well and thoroughly deserved their success. I congratulate them very heartily. Messrs. G. B. Hanna and E. D. Goldblatt were runners-up. These players won this competition two years ago and were runners-up last year. As a partnership I don't think they have ever been placed lower than 6th in any pairs event run by the Northern Ireland Bridge Union. Messrs. T. Davis and F. R. D. Blake occupied the third place.

A remarkable fact about the scores in this competition is that, as in the same event last year, although there were only ten points between the first three pairs, there was a substantial drop to the fourth place.

There was a record entry for this championship. Altogether 130 players took part. Mr. I. W. Seaton was responsible for the excellent arrangements, and in the final round, when he was playing, Messrs. W. H. Smyth and W. MacCallum took charge. They conducted the final very efficiently and contributed greatly to the smooth running which characterised the event.

CRINOLINE FROCKS

AT BRITISH LEGION BALL.

HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL ASSEMBLY.

The appearance of many crinoline frocks added a distinctive and picturesque Victorian touch to the scene in the Plaza, Belfast, on Friday evening, on the occasion of the seventh annual ball under the auspices of the locan branch of the British Legion.

As in previous years, the event proved exceedingly popular, attracting a record attendance which included many large parties from the provincial centres.

The programme—a most attractive one—was divided into two sections, provided respectively by Tommy James and his London Lads and the band of the First Battalion the Welch Regiment.

The committee and all responsible for the arrangements are to be congratulated on the success of their efforts. In this respect special mention must be made of Captain A. Wallace (hon. organising secretary) and Miss Thea Lavery (hon. women's secretary). The officials of the branch who also lent valuable assistance are—Major H. R. Haslett (chairman); Major W. Scott, D.S.O., M.C. (vice-chairman); Mr. J. Curley, M.C. (hon. secretary); Captain C. V. Smylie (hon. treasurer), and Mr. M. Vinycomb (secretary).

Mrs. Haslett looked smart in a gown of black poult; Mrs. J. C. Robb was in mulberry lace, and Mrs. Winter's black crepe gown was worn with a cape of gold sequins. Mrs. W. Johnston wore black matt crepe.

Captain Wallace's party included Mrs. Wallace wearing an Edwardian black lace trimmed with shell pink tulle, Mrs. J. Alexander in blue charmeuse, Mrs. J. Kidd, who wore a coatee with gold sequin revers over a black velvet gown; Mrs. Apperson wearing blue and white patterned lace; Mrs. Forsythe in black satin with a cape of red ostrich feathers; Mrs. D. Hollywood in floral cloque, and Mrs. A. M'Kibbin wearing a frilled frock of red chiffon.

Mrs. J. Nicholl was wearing black matt crepe, Miss Marion Nicholl's Edwardian frock was of cyclamen tulle, and Miss J. Nicholl was in ivory floral satin. Miss D. Synott (Perth, Australia) wore a redingote of white tulle over a frock of white satin. Mrs. G. Kirkpatrick chose black satin, and Mrs. M. Kirkpatrick was in floral silk on a black background. Mrs. Burrowes wore a gold lame coatee over her brown frock, and Miss Andrews was smart in white.

Mrs. S. Duffin was wearing ivory and silver broache, and Miss M. Duffin was in silver lame patterned in pink. Mrs. J. Ross wore an Edwardian frock of emerald poult, and Mrs. W. F. Minnis was in black crepe.

Mrs. Wilkins chose a flower-patterned gown of white silk, Mrs. R. C. Beverstock's maize crepe featured puffed sleeves, and Miss Mary Black was in ivory satin.

Madame Drinkwater wore a becoming gown of black velvet, and Miss N. Lyons's Victorian frock was of black poult with a hooped skirt.

Mrs. W. R. Wright was wearing a picture frock of amethyst tulle. Her party included Mrs. Duggan, who wore an Edwardian frock of black moire, Mrs. M'Lennan in black floral silk, Mrs. Geertsen in black crepe, Mrs. W. Dunn in black taffeta, and Mrs. C. Mack in black velvet.

Mrs. W. R. M'Vickers was smart in green and silver broche, and Miss M'Vicker wore floral taffeta. Mrs. C. G. Duffin was in pale yellow brocade, and Mrs. R. Hobson's black crepe was worn with red carnations. Mrs. Randall was wearing brocaded lame, and Mrs. R. Drysdale was in ivory and silver brocade.

The proceeds of the dance were in aid of branch funds.

SON EXONERATED.

STRUCK MAN ON ROAD.

FOUND IT WAS HIS FATHER.

A Derby jury last night exonerated an 18 years old medical student who had driven a car which knocked down and fatally injured his father, Dr. Ignatius Benedict Culhane, 47, of Osmaston Road, Derby.

The son, Oliver Patrick Culhane, said his father was not at the arranged meeting place and he drove towards home. He was watching a car emerging on to the main road, and also a cyclist ahead, when he felt a bump. On investigation he found that a man lying injured in the gutter was his father. He believed his father recognised the car and stepped into the road to attract attention.

Dr. John Scott attributed death to a fractured skull.

Three witnesses, describing the car's speed as normal, said the man flew through the air and struck his head on the kerb.

A verdict of accidental death was returned.

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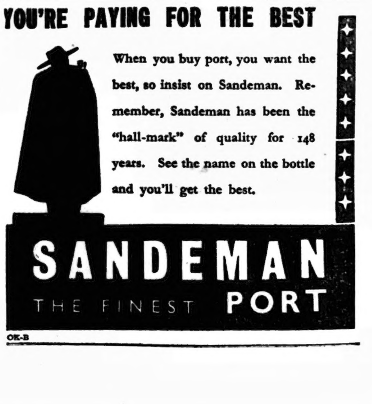

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The London Diary of an Ulsterwoman

IT may be imagination, but it seems as though the spirit of Christmas is taking a little longer than usual to make itself felt this year. True there are what seem interminable traffic jams and the shops fairly well packed, but the salesgirls are generally of opinion that shopping is not being done as early as it was last year. As one who usually puts off shopping until the last possible moment and thereby probably, but not gladly, adds to the discomfort of the shop assistants, I realise that it is not a policy to be commended, and yet those who plead guilty with me, will agree that there is something of a thrill to be had in going into a shop about half-an-hour before it closes on Christmas Eve and picking up the best of whatever the other customers have left. Yearly resolutions to reform, the admonitions that it is the early shopper who gets the best of the goods don't have much effect on those who like to see what is to be had in a store after thousands of others have been through it. It can be much more exciting than making purchases weeks in advance—and perhaps this is one reason why the Christmas spirit seems a trifle later than usual.

Literary Luncheon.

There is another point—one touched on the other day at Foyles Literary Luncheon when prominent writers discussed the Freedom of the Press. Mr. Beverley Baxter, who presided, spoke of the space devoted to "bad news," to crises and depressions, and said that when he had looked at his morning papers he went back to bed and wondered whether he could get through the day without one of these awful catastrophes overtaking the country. He urged that good news should find some place in the columns of newspapers to-day. His appeal was loudly applauded, but so, too, were the succinct remarks of Mr. Hannen Swaffer, who, after drawing attention to the conditions in the depressed areas especially said, "If you want good news in the papers then make it good; improve the world, don't dope it."

Spirit of Christmas.

And now for a paragraph which does breathe more perhaps of the spirit of the times. A carol party was held during the week at Londonderry House, which was lent to the Mayfair Carollers for the occasion. The singers included Lady Alexandra Haig, Lady Diana Cooper, Countess John de Bendern, Lady George Cholmondeley, and each was disguised. They wore eye masks and red bows, black or red cloaks, black veils, and in their hair they had sprigs of mistletoe or holly.

The postponed children's party given by Lady Dufferin was a huge success. Her two little girls, Lady Caroline and Lady Perdita Blackwood were the hostesses, and they had amongst their guests lots of children whose parents are well known in the Six Counties. There were the Countess of Antrim's two small girls, the son and daughter of Lord and Lady O'Neill, Lady Helen Jessel's little boy, Lady Long's small daughter, Mrs. Frank Pakenham's boy and girl, and the little daughter of Princess Weikersheim. Films and a treasure hunt kept the youngsters interested for a good part of the afternoon. The Dufferins intend spending Christmas at Clandeboye.

Delegation for Spain.

Lord Antrim is a young peer who likes to see things for himself, and when possible to do them for himself. He has left England for Spain in company with a small delegation whose object it is to inquire into the food situation and the problem of winter relief in Catalonia. One member of the delegation is Miss Megan Lloyd George. Lord Antrim has visited Spain before, and his sympathies are with the Spanish Government. His wife has the reputation of being one of the finest of the younger group of artists in the country; she has been exhibiting since she was in her 'teens. Prior to his marriage Lord Antrim spent some time as a farmer in Denmark.

Interesting Coincidence.

Coincidences are generally interesting. I was talking to Mrs. Clifton Helliwell (Kate Parker) the other day, and she told me that in a tube station she ran into Geoffrey Dakin, who was for some time a master at Methody, and who acted with the Northern Drama League. It was the first time they had met since he left Belfast about ten years ago, and they discussed plays in which they had both appeared. One of which they had a special recollection, also "starred" Douglas Stewart, whom neither had seen for many years. On parting almost the first person Kate met was Douglas, who is now a professional actor in the West End. Kate tells me that her little girl, Barbara, who has been so very ill in Belfast, is now improving, though it will be some time before she is able to leave bed. At six most people make very bad patients, but not so Barbara, who, when she is well enough, just lies and sings. Here is hoping that she will be well enough to enjoy the many Christmas presents she is bound to receive.

SILENT WAITERS.

We all know the merits of the tea-trolley—especially when we have few, if any, servants.

The new trolleys, however, are even more easily handled, for they have detachable trays, which may be filled upon the kitchen table, and then placed inside the skeleton of the trolley.

Heat-resisting trolleys and trays, which are washable, and finished in colours such as apple green or light blue, or—even more attractive—in cream, are good to look at, and quite silent in use, as they run on rubber castors.

BEFORE YOU PAINT.

Some people think home-decorating a most fascinating hobby, and they expect to do wonders with a few pots of paint and brushes, and nothing else.

But good results can never be obtained until the surface to be painted has been stripped before the new paint is applied.

The removal of old paint or varnish is quite a simple matter if one of the excellent paint-removers is applied to the surface, after which the paint can be stripped off quite easily with a scraper, and without any damage to the wood.

LACE GOWNS.

Lace is lovely for complete gowns, and as the colour scheme with lace can be varied easily by a change of silk underslip, flowers and waistbelt, is economical wear.

A deep blue cobwebby lace was worn over a rich cyclamen slip, with soft ninon sash to match, a long trail of flowers coming from one shoulder.

Jewelled nets make up attractively, particularly for the older woman. This net is dotted all over with tiny iridescent "jewel" clusters in red, green, silver and gold, which give a star-like twinkle with every movement.

Posting Without Accidents

Just a little extra care and thought will avoid accidents in posting parcels. For instance, with china articles that have knobs, spouts or handles be sure to put a roll of tissue paper round any projecting part, narrow neck or handle. Pack each separate part in paper and all in straw or shavings. Do not let the pieces touch each other or the sides of the box. Be sure they are all so tightly packed in the straw that none can move. Tie the string tightly at each twist and use plenty. Write on both sides of the actual parcel, even if you do use a tie-on label.

SPOTLIGHT ON FASHION

THE crinoline type of evening dress is prominent among the early spring collections, and although so picturesque is really made on very simple lines. The youthful dancer will long to wear one of these dream frocks, and many girls will enjoy making an inexpensive one for herself from material bargains at the forthcoming sales.

If made in crisp-looking material which lends itself to this fashion, such as poult taffeta, there is no need to be bothered with an actual crinoline, it will be quite enough to have the skirt well flared and gathered at the waist—the material will do the rest. Do not have the skirt long enough to "sweep the floor," or your pretty dress will get grubby-looking in no time—but just long enough to avoid it, so that the feet "like little mice will peep in and out."

Heart Shaped Bodice.

A lovely frock made in this delectable material was in a soft pinky-lavender shade, the full skirt being patterned at intervals by small bunches of vari-coloured violets, and also at the waist were similar flowers prettily grouped to take the place of a clasp.

The skirt was made as above described and stood out beautifully; the bodice was heart shaped as are so many just now, edged with chiffon ruching, and the short puff sleeves were also in ruched chiffon.

Fichu-trimmed bodices, and the tiered full skirts and fabrics, such as lace and net, are frequently shown over coloured foundations—a very convenient style which makes for variety at comparatively small expense, since the foundation can be so made as to be used also as a dress, or any other foundation be worn under the lace or net outer robe.

Evening Coats and Muffs.

Many evening coats for early spring are on period lines, with somewhat high waists, sleeves full at the top and long flowing skirts, giving a piquant old-world look to the modern wearer. Here and there are seen a matching muff held by a cord round the neck, also old-world, and very cosy they can be too.

In Victorian times, on frosty nights, late revellers would sometimes stop at the baked potato man's stand, and large potatoes, straight from the stove have warmed many a muff and overcoat pocket! But, the baked potato man, alas, is rarely seen nowadays.

Speaking of muffs, evening dresses and also bridemaids' gowns are sometimes supplied with muffs, the fronts being covered with suitable artificial flowers to go with the frocks. They are very effective, but have to be put on one side when dancing.

Hair Dressing.

It is generally conceded that the upswept Edwardian coiffure tends to age the wearer, and although efforts have been made to vary the styles, and curls may be few or many according to the hair available, it is not expected that "its day" will be long! But a very youthful looking girl in an old-world frock may be quite lovely with hair dressed in this way.

One unusual style is a ring of flattish curls all round the lower part of the scalp, the entire top of the head from the curls to the crown being swathed with smooth coils of hair. It is a style known as the "Bee-hive."

Sometimes a rose, or other flower nestles amongst the curls with pretty effect. It may also take the place of a curl if all the hair has been "used up," and there is nothing else left to fill the space.

Hats.

Hats continue to be a little mad in appearance. A satin toque seen recently was trimmed with a miniature Christmas tree, adding several inches to the wearer's height!

Many new shapes have been inspired by the aeroplane, and have wing-like brims and small crowns—some even have a propeller trimming.

A simple idea for a beret, made from oddments from the piece bag, had a black beaver crown, mounted on to a 2½ inch band of French canvas to fit the head. The band was draped with a length of soft silk in a pretty Paisley pattern which formed a chou with long ends hanging down on the shoulder.

Georgette Scarves.

One and a half yards of georgette makes two lovely scarves—cut it in halves lengthwise, hem outer edges and embroider a small design in coloured and gold threads on each end, or transfer pattern may be outlined in Indian ink and filled in with water-colour paints.

YOUR CHRISTMAS PARTY

Success Depends On Hostess

AS the success of any party depends almost entirely upon the hostess, I feel we should start planning now for Christmas festivities, so that we can be sure everything will go well. Naturally, it is an enormous help to get as much as possible done beforehand, so that on the actual day you aren't overworked and looking a nervous wreck by the time your guests arrive. Christmas puddings and cakes can be made as far in advance as you like, for they improve with keeping. Mince pies are best made on Christmas Eve, and it's wise to prepare your vegetables then, too, so that only the routine cooking is left for the next day.

Setting the Table.

I expect you will use holly and mistletoe for your table decorations, although flowers of any kind are especially effective at this time of the year. On the Continent a sprig of pine, complete with cones, is traditional Christmas decoration, and this can be very attractive, too. Do try long candles for lighting. They give such a mellow glow that I'm sure both you and your guests will be delighted with them. They look really lovely when placed along the centre of the table on a strip of mirror.

A Cup to Cheer.

Here is a recipe for a very good claret cup which should add to the cheerfulness of your party considerably:

Ingredients—

1 Bottle of Claret.
2 Bottles of soda water.
2 Wineglassfuls of Sherry.
1 Teaspoonful of Lemon Essence.
3 Tablespoonfuls of Sugar.
Half a Lemon.
About 12 ins. of Cucumber.
Cloves to taste.

Method—Mix thoroughly the claret, soda water, sherry and lemon essence, and stir in the sugar (which can be melted first in a little hot water). Cut the lemon and cucumber into very thin slices and throw them in, with the cloves, adding a few lumps of ice if possible.

Something Special.

Here is an extra special sweet, for two reasons: one, it is very expensive to buy ready made; two, you need to take great care if you make it yourself. But it really is worth trying, and if you do take care and follow the directions exactly you will be able to offer your guests something unusual and delicious.

Marron Glaces.

Ingredients:—

4 dozen chestnuts.
1 pint of water.
1 lb. of sugar.

Method—Boil the chestnuts very gently, and take them out of the water while they are still quite firm. Peel them, boil the water with the sugar until a thick syrup is formed, and be sure to keep stirring all the time. Add the whole chestnuts, and continue boiling for about a quarter of an hour, still stirring. Drain the chestnuts on a sieve, and keep in a dry place until ready to serve.

Now for Yourself.

If possible leave a whole hour for yourself before your guests are due. This will give you a chance to relax in a warm bath before you dress. Set your hair first of all, tie a net over it, and cream your face. A friction with eau-de Cologne is unbelievably refreshing after your bath. Follow it with a good dusting of talcum, pat your face with an astringent, bathe your eyes, and you will feel a new woman from top to toe.

You will want a make-up which doesn't need frequent renewal, as you'll be too busy to do much to yourself later on. Avoid a greasy foundation for your powder—it will incline to make you shine later on; unless you have an uncommonly dry skin, a liquid one is better for an occasion like this. Put the foundation on over your rouge to get the most natural effect, and then apply your powder generously, patting upward from your neck to your hair line. If you don't like mascara use a little vaseline to brush on your eye lashes and outline your brows. In your candle light you can use a very vivid lipstick, and also eye shadow if you like, and if you spray a little brilliantine on your hair it will give it an attractive shine.

Evelyn Hays

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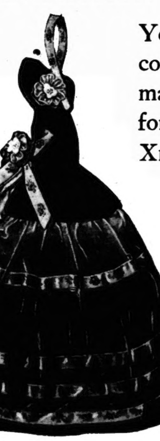
NEXT WEEK'S COOKERY ARTICLE WILL BE EXTENDED OVER MONDAY & TUESDAY

"The Girl in the Alice Blue Gown"



You could make one for Xmas

You have to see one of these crinoline ladies to realise just how sweet they are. The top portion is of velvet, and the dainty lavender-filled skirt is of contrasting organdie.

SATURDAY COMMENTARY BY LADY OXFORD AND ASQUITH

There Must Be No Reserved Seats At My Memorial Service

I SUPPOSE all of us have some sort of strange preferment, and among mine is a love of memorial services. For me there is great beauty and refreshment in sitting by myself in a church, and not only thinking of the person mourned, but in reflecting even upon acquaintances who have trodden the same path which we are all treading. It is good for us to withdraw from the world now and then.

I sometimes think of what I would like for my own memorial service, as I have attended so many that I can see certain defects which I hope will be avoided. It must not be too long, nor too dull, and the organ must play from the moment the doors of the church are opened.

SIR SAMUEL HOARE.
"His Criminal Justice Bill is a fine piece of Liberal legislation."

There must be no reserved seats. I quite understand that seats have to be reserved when you are commemorating famous people, and princes and ambassadors are obliged to attend; otherwise I think all who care to come should sit in whatever pews they like.

And, above all, the music must be beautiful (my son will choose it). What I dislike in half the memorial services to which I go is the way organists meander in a meaningless fashion over the keyboard till I hardly know if they are tuning, practising, or improvising.

I do not want busy, tired men to be kept standing while the funeral march is being played: they should take that opportunity of leaving the church. Any flowers my friends might like to send should not go to my grave in the lovely Sutton-Courtney Cemetery—where there is a space on my husband's tombstone for my name to be engraved: they should be placed on the steps of the altar.

The Queen at a recent London function. Their Majesties' family life is a model of happiness and devotion, says Lady Oxford.

MY OLD COURT FRIENDS

THE truth is that we not only have to die, but are dying from the day we come into this world. These reflections came to me when I went to the Queen of Norway's memorial service, and saw all my old Court friends—men who had served Queen Victoria, King Edward, King George, the late, and the present King.

I do not admire the architecture of the Chapel Royal, but it has many memories for me, and, sitting in the Royal pew, I thought of all the happy times I had spent with Queen Maud's lovely mother in Marlborough House and in Buckingham Palace. I recalled how one evening she was talking to me of her first great private sorrow.

She said that on the death of Prince Eddy—who was the late King George's elder brother—she felt a pang at her heart from which she would never recover. I knew him very slightly, as he was a quiet, modest Prince who, had he been exposed to what in Royal circles is called "chaff," would have been unhappy, but this she said she would never have permitted.

NO MORE ROYAL CHAFF

AFTER this sad and intimate conversation she posted me a letter in which she wrote: "Man looketh on the countenance but God on the heart."

I often found this Royal chaff embarrassing when it took place in my presence, but it is safe to say it is a thing of the past, as the family life of our King and Queen is a model of happiness and devotion, and has enhanced the love which their subjects will always feel for them.

ABOLITION OF FLOGGING

I AM glad to think that when this sad session of Parliament adjourns one great Bill will have been unanimously passed. Sir Samuel Hoare's fine piece of Liberal legislation—the "Criminal Justice Bill."

It makes up for days and nights wasted, and tempers strained, over so many debates upon foreign affairs at a time when we should have presented a united front, and supported the Prime Minister in every way for his policy of peace.

It was also a relief to find a topic of conversation upon which all I met were agreed. I was surprised to hear that one of the provisions in the Bill is being attacked—namely, the practical abolition of flogging.

It is incredible that there should be men living to-day who think that flogging for any crime is either justifiable or efficacious. Public opinion has been nearly 100 years behind the opinion of all who have ever had to deal with criminals, and I can only hope that Sir Samuel Hoare's critics are few.

I received the following cutting a few days ago; it is from a speech made by my husband in the House of Commons in 1885, many years before I ever heard the name of Asquith:—

> "Flogging is a revival of the theory, at once fallacious and barbarous, that a man who commits a peculiarly brutal offence should receive a proportionately brutal punishment. I can imagine nothing more repugnant to the most elementary principles of justice and common sense than to say that, because a man has committed a savage offence, those whose duty it is to enforce respect for the law should begin that man's punishment with correspondingly savage treatment."
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> —Asquith, House of Commons, 1885.

It is curious to think that it has taken 53 years to make people realise that what my husband said was true, and I am grateful to Mr. Harold Nicolson for having sent me what, but for him, I would never have seen.

ARDS AREA UNEMPLOYMENT.

THE NEW HANDICRAFT INDUSTRY.

At the meeting of Newtownards Employment Committee Councillor W. M'Alpine presided.

The Secretary's report showed that there were at present wholly unemployed in the Newtownards area 1,480 persons, compared with 1,289 two months ago, but temporary stoppages had decreased from 403 to 241. There was also an increase in the wholly unemployed figures for the Bangor district from 680 to 979, but the casuals in that area remained stationary at 38. The increases in both areas were said to be due to slackness in road maintenance, quarrying and agricultural pursuits, whilst improvement was effected in the hemstitching and linen weaving industries. The Exchanges had placed 196 persons locally and 10 in other districts, including 90 in agriculture. The new handicraft industry was going ahead, some 40 persons now working in their own homes, and it was hoped eventually to have 500 women in the area so employed.

THE WHITE RIBBONERS.

MOUNTPOTTINGER BRANCH.

The Mountpottinger Branch of the White Ribboners held their annual Cradle Roll meeting in the Mountpottinger Y.M.C.A. on Friday evening. The president, Mrs. D. J. Thompson presided.

After tea Messrs. M'Dade, sen. and jun., entertained the children with choruses, cross talk and sketches.

Dr. James Smiley gave the mothers a helpful talk on how to keep fit themselves, and the proper way to feed and train their children in order to make them healthy. Mrs. Beckett and Miss Gladys Taylor led the children in community singing.

Mrs. D. J. Thompson moved a vote of thanks to Messrs. M'Dade, Dr. James Smiley, Mrs. Beckett and Miss Gladys Taylor; also Mrs. Menzies, Cradle Roll superintendent and her two helpers; Mrs. Hill and Mrs. Bugleir. Each child received an apple and cracker when leaving.

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A DOUBTFUL BARGAIN.

IT is becoming increasingly evident that the trade pact entered into a short time ago between the British Government and that of Eire has been to a great extent a one-sided bargain. Mr. J. M. Andrews, the Minister of Finance for Northern Ireland, speaking at a luncheon given in Belfast on Friday by the Ulster Development Council, indulged in some plain speaking on the subject, and his remarks ought to receive the attention of the authorities at Westminster. The compact was intended to fulfil two objects—to improve the relations between Eire and the United Kingdom, and to increase the volume of mutual trade. That the first-mentioned aim has not been attained is shown by the campaign now being vigorously conducted for the purpose of compelling the Unionists of the North to sacrifice their citizenship of the United Kingdom in exchange for the doubtful status of being subjects of an all-Ireland Republic. From the economic aspect, again, the impulsive generosity displayed by the British Government has been no better justified. Admittedly the agreement has proved to be of great value to the agriculturists of Eire, whose exports of produce to Great Britain and Northern Ireland have increased largely. When, however, we look at the other side of the balance-sheet we find that exports to Eire from Great Britain and the Six Counties have not been proportionately increased. The reason is that no appreciable reduction has yet been made in the high tariffs which are keeping out our products from the Southern markets, and it is to be feared that none can be expected.

We in Northern Ireland realise more clearly than our neighbours across the Channel that, in the words of Mr. Andrews, a more "one-sided, unjust, and improper arrangement" would be difficult to realise. The fact is that Mr. De Valera's Government will not take the risk of injuring the small-scale industries which have sprung up under the shelter of high tariffs. It has apparently no intention of demolishing the high wall which protects them from the chilly wind of outside competition. The interests of the consumer in Eire may suffer, and do suffer, from the higher cost of many commodities necessary in ordinary life, but no relaxation of the system of high protection is at all likely. For example, the defective quality of boots and shoes manufactured in Eire under present conditions is notorious, and it was recently made the subject of complaint in the Senate; but the critics were reproved as "unpatriotic" for their pains, being enjoined to wait until an adequate tannery is established, when it is hoped their grievances will be removed. The position at present is that Eire enjoys the privilege of sending many of her products free of duty to the markets of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, but does not accord reciprocity to any extent worthy of mention. There is at least a strong case for pressure being brought to bear by the British Government to induce the Dublin Administration to carry out the agreement in the same broad and liberal spirit as has been shown on our side. If they will not or cannot do so it would seem that the whole position should be reconsidered most carefully, notwithstanding the premature self-congratulation of the Ministers concerned.

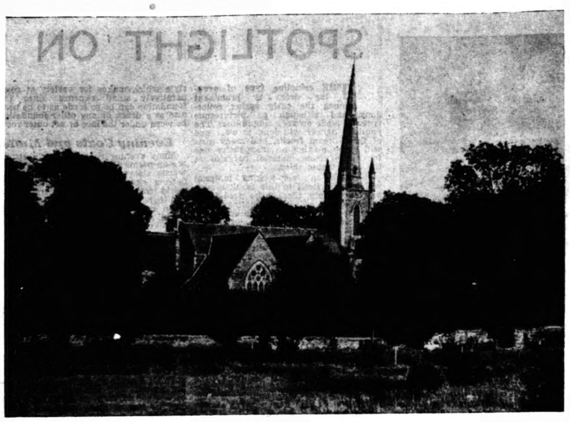
Why Do We Moisten Pencils?

MOST people believe they lick the point of a pencil to make it softer by damping it. Actually, it is the warmth of the mouth and not the moisture that softens the "lead" and makes the pencil produce a heavier mark.

The combination of graphite and clay which goes to the making of the so-called "lead" has to be heated to a high temperature before it is soft enough to go into the moulds in which it is shaped to the form of the centre of our most familiar writing instrument. The temperature of the furnaces in which the two ingredients are softened may be anything from 600 to 1,200 degrees Fahrenheit, according to the pressure of the lead, which varies a great deal with the different kinds of pencil.

When we lick the pencil the warmth restores for a few second something of the freshness of the lead when it came from the mould. The moisture plays its part, but how small this is you can show by dipping a pencil in cold water and comparing the impression with that of a pencil which point has been warmed in your mouth.

You have probably been told that it is dangerous to suck a copying ink pencil, which incidentally contains no ink, only a quantity of aniline dye. It is not this dye in itself that is the danger—graphite is just as poisonous. But the combination of the two makes it dissolve more easily, and that is why you may suffer after you have been sucking an indelible pencil, but you are unlikely to do so unless you "indulge" very freely.



The Oak Used for England's Men-o'-War Helped to Build This Historic Ulster Church

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W. E. MONTGOMERY

describes the storied past of Seapatrick Parish Church, Banbridge, shown amid picturesque surroundings in the above photograph.

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IT seems a far call from the "wooden walls of old England" to the grey walls of Seapatrick Parish Church, Banbridge, and many, even of the congregation, may wonder where the connection lies.

Yet within those grey and hallowed walls, sheltered for all time from roaring wind and driving sea, reposes portion of the oak from which England's famous old wooden men-o'-war were constructed.

Once the property of the Admiralty, it was stored in 1824 at Deptford ready to meet the shipwright's requirements. Later, however, it passed into the hands of the authorities of Seapatrick Parish Church, who used it for the construction of their chancel furniture, prayer desks, and choir seats. Age only seems to have mellowed this fine old timber, which looks as sound to-day as oak fresh from the forest.

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THE chancel furniture is not the only connection this picturesque church has with those wooden walls of old England, for prominent among the many memorials adorning the walls is a chaste emblematic cenotaph bearing this inscribed record: "Far from this spot in some unknown but not unhonoured resting-place lies all that was mortal of Francis Rawdon Moira Crozier, captain, R.N., fifth son of the late George Crozier, Esq."

It goes on to describe his service in several exploring voyages under Sir E. Parry and with Sir J. C. Ross in the Arctic and Antarctic regions, and his expedition for the discovery of the North-West Passage, from which neither he nor any of his brave companions ever returned.

And in that record is summed up one of the most heroic struggles in the history of mankind. As the facts of that last great voyage were only beginning to come to light when the memorial was erected, perhaps I will be excused if I digress for a moment to fill in the blanks.

For years nothing was known of the fate of the expedition, and it was not until 1853 that Dr. John Rae, conducting one of the numerous search parties that were sent out, met a band of Esquimaux who informed him that four winters before they had fallen in with a party of white men dragging sledges, commanded by an officer, and four months later they came across their bodies.

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THE natives called the officer by the same name that Crozier had among them during Parry's second voyage, and if further proof were needed that he was one of the party it was forthcoming when they produced, among other articles belonging to the unfortunate white men, a silver spoon bearing Crozier's crest and with the initials "F.R.M.C." scratched on it.

After this brief glimpse of the fate of the expedition, the curtain descended once again; and although in all twenty-one expeditions were despatched, nothing further was discovered until 1859, when Sir Leopold M'Clintock, a Dundalk man, found under a cairn a document dated 1848 and signed by Crozier.

This revealed that after being beset by ice for two years the ships had been deserted in the hope of reaching Black Fish River, also that Sir John Franklin had died the previous year. M'Clintock also found among the Esquimaux silver plate and other relics of the party; elsewhere he saw one of Franklin's boats on a sledge with two skeletons inside and clothing and chocolate.

And here for 76 long years the matter lay, no one knowing how far Captain Crozier and his men got before being overtaken by their terrible fate. Then in 1924 Knud Rasmussen, returning from three years of exploring in the Arctic, startled the world by the announcement that he had discovered the remains of the party. Not all the bodies were found, and some of the scenes nearing the end of the trail were almost too terrible to describe.

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ONE unforgettable camp was reached with men dead as they had sat at a meal. Though so great a time had elapsed, their tracks in the snow were fresh. They lie still where they lay then, for Rasmussen reverently committed their poor bones to earth, thereby writing finis to one of the saddest and most heroic of all tales of Polar exploration.

Thus, page by page as it were, the full story was told, and with each additional revelation the pride which Seapatrick Church feels in this, perhaps the most famous of all her sons, has been but the more fully justified.

A story which gives an insight into the pleasantness of Captain Crozier's character is still told in the parish. On one of his returns to Banbridge the present church, then newly-built, was being opened and some friction occurred over the allotment of pews. Crozier contributed much to allay this by modestly taking a pew at the extreme end of the building remarking: "One seat is as good as another."

The history of Seapatrick Parish Church may truly be said to be the history of Banbridge. Built in 1834 when the town commenced to develop and take on its present form, it has since expanded step by step with the town's increasing dimensions. Indeed, with the exception of the tower and spire, there is hardly a portion of the original building recognisable in the present structure.

As would be expected, the church has assumed a shape different somewhat from that of churches designed as a whole, but the effect is none the less striking and the building is considered to be one of the prettiest in the diocese.

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FROM 1670 down to the erection of the new church, the religious needs of the parish were served by a little building at Kilpike, about a mile from Banbridge, and an interesting record has been left us of how the incumbent of the parish then received his livelihood.

It is contained in a "Terrier," dated 1743, which states that the vicar was entitled to a certain amount of the tithes, "also by a custom immemorial in said parish, a modus of nine pence is paid for every milchcow, for every stripper four pence half penny, for every fole six pence, for every sheep and lamb one penny, for every turf-stack six pence, of which the vicar receives a third part. The vicar also receives four pence for an Easter-offering from every family in said parish, one penny for every garden, two and six pence for every marriage, if the marriage is celebrated in said parish, and if but one of the parties live in said parish and the marriage be celebrated in any other parish, in that case the vicar of said parish by custom receives one shilling and three pence, also one shilling and eight pence for every christening, one shilling for every trade and one shilling for every corpse buried in the church yard, and for every corpse buried within the church six shillings and eight pence; the whole vicarial tithes of said parish are let to a tithe farmer by the present vicar for fifty-nine pounds yearly."

Thoughts For The Times by Dr. A. D. Belden

The Chimney Comes Into Its Own

THERE is one season of the year when the chimney comes into its own. The chimney-pot has been well-called by the poet "The Golden Milestone," and although as one looks across a big city like Belfast the chimneys may not appear to be exactly that colour, we know quite well that deeper down in the hearts that dwell beneath them, the gold is abundant—in the hearts, I said, not the pockets.

Just now, however, the hearts are busy transferring some of the gold to the pockets and planning those delightful surprises that are the peculiar business of a generous gentleman named Santa Claus. All over the country little mothers and brave fathers are planning for the filling of Joan's stockings and Billy's socks.

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It is just here that the chimney comes in. It is not only a symbol of home, nor the easiest way of explaining to eager little minds how Santa Claus can get into the house on that most marvellous night called Christmas Eve. It is, above all, the symbol of the blessed indirection, the noble anonymity of the Christmas Giver.

There is an amusing story told of a certain grey monkey which was brought over to England for a small private zoo. The creature was of a very superior type and had evidently spent most of its time on some river bank. It had the curious habit of carefully washing all the food that was given to it.

Visitors were delighted and interested to watch the monkey do this with the nuts and fruit that were pushed through the bars of its cage. One day, however, the monkey had an experience which drove it quite frantic. Somebody gave him a lump of beautiful white sugar. True to his instinct he rushed to his water-trough and proceeded to wash it, only to find to his alarm that it disappeared.

He rushed back to the bars of the cage, gibbering most excitedly, holding out his paw for another piece. When this went the same way as the other, he grew mad with rage. By this time the spectator had tumbled to what was happening and proceeded to supply the monkey with more of this mysterious food, until the monkey was reduced to a colossal sulk, evidently plunged into profound and angry contemplation of a baffling problem.

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There are far too many people like that monkey. They have a good deed in hand but cannot keep quiet about it. They snatch at the praise and the glory almost before their good deed is done, or they boast of it afterwards and wash its virtue right away.

These are so often the people who complain bitterly of the ingratitude of those they try to help, not realising how the subtle poison of self-interest in themselves extends to their beneficiaries.

One suspects that Santa Claus is either a real Christian who remembers the Lord's injunction, "Let not your left hand know what your right hand doeth," or he is the very Christian spirit itself. How stern he is in his insistence upon being undiscovered.

How many a youngster falls asleep trying to keep awake to find out what he really looks like. But nobody has ever seen him, and the old grey-bearded gentleman who passes for him in the public stores is really rather a libel. One suspects that he is a much younger, gayer, active spirit than that, with a most marvellous understanding of children and of parents.

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Consider, for example, his extraordinary policy of changing into somebody quite well known when there is a real risk of his being discovered. Sometimes the youngsters do succeed in keeping awake in spite of all grave warnings, especially the older ones, and then they find that instead of the old grey-bearded gentleman in the scarlet cloak, it is just mother or father come to see whether they are asleep or not. It is this that has led to the absurd theory that Santa Claus is *only* father or mother.

Whatever may be the truth of this profound mystery, here is a principle that might well be extended to other occasions. It has always been strange to me that the people who are blessed with abundance in this world do not take a keener delight in doing good by stealth, but seem so fond of subscription lists and public rewards like peerages which trumpet their generosities to the world. The joy of Santa Claus might cover all the year if we would master better the more adventurous art of coming "down the chimney."

It Happened On December 17

CONQUEST OF THE AIR.

Kitty Hawk, U.S.A., 1903.

To-day, in 12 seconds, history has been made. The brothers Orville and Wilbur Wright, one-time cycle engineers, have for three years devoted themselves to the solution of the problems of flight. To-day success has been achieved by their aeroplane keeping in the air for 12 seconds and covering a distance of 284 yards. To Orville went the glory of being the first man to have accomplished an aeroplane flight.

O.P. RIOTS ENDED.

Covent Garden, A.D. 1809.

To-day has seen the end of the scenes popularly known as the "O.P. Riots"—Old Price Riots. Covent Garden Theatre was re-opened after being burned down with Macbeth on 16th September this year. But the admission prices were increased and the playgoing public has been demonstrating its disapproval in no uncertain manner. Every night for two months there have been riotous scenes inside and outside the theatre, much damage being caused. The rioters' object was to force the management to revert to the Old Prices, and to-night J. P. Kemble, the famous actor and manager, has given way to public opinion and peace is again restored.

IS THERE A DANGEROUS AGE FOR MEN?

by a Physician

IN a case in the London courts the other day a doctor, speaking for the defence of a middle-aged man in the dock, referred to what has been spoken of as the "dangerous age."

Is there an age of danger for men as we know there is for woman? In the latter case it is liable to come on between 30 and 40 and for unmistakable physiological reasons, but in the case of man not only are those particular causes absent but the period is more likely to be from 40 to 60.

Very Rev. W. R. Inge once referred to this phase, saying that certain men of sedentary habit on approaching middle age tend to became ossified in both body and mind, and that in launching out into an easier way of life and snatching at rejuvenation, often astonish their friends by a radical change of habit and taste.

There is something in it for many men on turning forty or fifty undergo some tissue metamorphoses that affect even the brain matter and may quite change a man's outlook. Finding he is getting lazy, and also rotund, he may rouse and strain himself in a bout of physical energy that his long-slack heart will not easily stand.

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There is reaction upon his glands, and he may create all at once unaccustomed waste material that is more than the system can easily discharge. This probably means sending his blood pressure to abnormal heights and tends to give morbid thoughts and rouse morbid desires.

In this phase the devil whispers at his elbow and often he has not the brisk strength of his earlier years to scorn unnatural suggestion and turn aside.

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In the ordinary way and with robust health this may just mean here and there a bout of what the average man calls "liver" with some depression and "blues." But in other cases it may mean some yielding to unnatural impulse that may mean downfall and even tragedy. The will is weakened, and it is easy to fall into some passing temptation; once the yield takes place it happens more easily next time.

The man who is getting on in years and feels he needs a rousing should be careful not to rush at any form of rejuvenation. He must remember that his system is already loaded with waste products, probably with excess of uric matter that tends to come out in the form of arthritis and gout, and that his glands are sluggish and his heart a little flabby.

If he will start to reduce his diet, especially his meat, rich and fatty foods, and substitute cereals, fruit and vegetables for some of it, drink plenty of watery fluid, cut down his alcohol and tobacco, and, above all, go gently at regular exercise without strain—and not play the fool at golf (Why is it we so often hear of older men dropping suddenly on the links?)—he may follow quite a long way yet in the footsteps of Methuselah!

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The man who feels he is getting weak physically as well as mentally, at the approach of the "Age of Danger" should get hold of a decent, sympathetic doctor, and have a real good honest-to-goodness talk with him. It may save him from getting into mischief some day!

F. G.

On this page on Monday

☆ *"BATS—EERIE CREATURES OF THE DARK." C. Douglas Deane reveals some interesting sidelights on nature's most ghostly animal.*

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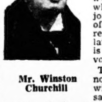
☆ *"THE ONLY MAN HITLER FEARS." Carel Hautman writes on Hjalmar Schacht, now visiting Britain, whom he describes as "the" most important man in Germany to-day.*

Fate of the Berengaria.
Troopship Suggestion.

LONDON, Saturday.



Mr. Winston Churchill

THE scrapping of luxury liners which, in spite of their age, look as good as ever, is always a mystery to the landlubber. Holidaymakers who return from an enjoyable cruise in a well-found ship which has done its job admirably are often amazed to read a few months later that the vessel is making her last voyage.

The experts could no doubt provide us with all the necessary arguments in favour of the scrap-yard, but they would still leave us in a sad frame of mind, for no one likes to hear of the passing of a famous ship.

The Berengaria, which has provided many happy memories for travellers of all nations, is a case in point. She is now awaiting destruction at the hands of men at present unemployed, in a Jarrow shipyard.

I understand, however, that Mr. Winston Churchill is to question the Government on the wisdom of this step. He will suggest that the size and speed of this fine old sea warrior would make her an invaluable asset as a troopship in time of war. In view of the shortage of efficient merchant shipping the argument seems not without reason.

Flying Clubs and Christmas.

NOT from the chimney will Santa Claus descend on Brighton and Hove next Sunday, but literally from the air for the Associated Brooklands Flying Clubs from Lympne, Northampton, and the Brooklands Aerodromes plan to make a Christmas "goodwill flight" to the Brighton and Hove Airport.

Here the fourth club of the combine has its headquarters and a Christmas dinner will be served upon their arrival. Many well-known pilots will take part in the flight, including Captain H. Duncan Davis, managing director of the Brooklands Clubs, and Mr. Ken Waller, who up to a few months ago held the Australia-England flight record.

Other clubs in Southern England may join in the flight, and about 40 aircraft, acting as a guard of honour to Father Christmas, will descend at the airport when Santa Claus will alight and greet "Miss 1939"—representing the interest of the rising generation of women in flying development.

London Day By Day

English "Candy" In Demand.

WITHIN recent weeks some unusual requests have reached London hotels from Americans who have stayed at the hotels in the past. These have included the despatch by special aeroplane of a manicurist for a woman client, the purchase of a suite of furniture for which a Louisiana guest had taken a great liking, and a recipe for Yorkshire pudding to be sent by cable to Texas.

A request was received yesterday from a former New York visitor, who wishes sent to her immediately 6lbs. of London-made chocolates such as she was in the habit of buying from the hotel kiosk during her stay, with repeat orders to be carried out at monthly intervals. She wants them for distribution to her friends "to show them what chocolates really are."

So yet another tribute arrives from our cousins "across the water." The American lady who sent over this request may be interested to learn that her own country has always been regarded over here as the stronghold of "candy"—that all-embracing word. Perhaps it is the old-world flavour of our chocolates that pleased her palate.

English "candy" manufacturers would be unwise, I feel, to think that this heralds the opening of a new market for their merchandise. In any case, if all our chocolates were sent across the Atlantic the residents of this island would perforce be reduced to chewing-gum, which would be a most inappropriate reversal of the traditional national characteristics of the two nations.

Jonah Must Have Felt Lonely.

THE beautiful "balaenoptera musculus" now being exhibited in the Natural History Museum clearly deprecates the possibility of Jonah ever having had claustrophobia. On the contrary, he must have felt as lonely as Garbo's most cherished ambition. For this colossal blue whale looks as though it could swallow hundreds of Jonahs, and they would still have room to hornpipe.

The blue whale is the largest living animal in the world, weighs over 120 tons, and from bow to stern runs anything up to 100 feet. It is scientifically streamlined, and when motionless resembles an outsize seaplane with detached wings. When it reaches about 75 feet in length it starts breeding, but curiously enough more than one calf is rare.

Blue whales do not swallow a rhinoceros for a midday snack, as one might suppose, but confine their meals mainly to shrimp-like creatures. These they gulp down by the gross, for with an ingenious device inside their mouths like a glorified sieve they can take in a mass of water and separate the feeding material.

Economically, the blue whale is of enormous importance, because it serves the purpose of guns and butter. A specimen of the variety can yield over 100 barrels of oil. This oil is used for soap, candles, margarine, and nitro-glycerine for bombs and guns. So war at the Pole would be an interminable affair.

The life-size model is made of plaster of paris, wood, concrete and paint, and constructed after very close study.

A Beautiful Voice.

MISS Horsbrugh has a voice which would be an asset to an actress. It is a beautiful contralto, and merely for its music you would be willing to listen to almost anything she said.

Her reputation as a speaker does not, however, depend on that particular charm. If she speaks or even asks a question in the House of Commons you may be sure that she has been at pains to master her subject.

She has also a warmth of sympathy which is exceedingly attractive, and she showed all these qualities when she was piloting her Bill for the regulation of the adoption of children through the House of Commons yesterday. It is rare for members to be so much moved as they were by her speech.

M.P.'s and Cross Word Puzzles.

DOCTORS say it is very bad to read or write in a train, but you must do something. Perhaps this accounts for the popularity of the cross word puzzle. One of the political leaders told me to-day that he finds it impossible to do anything else while he is on his way from his home to the House, and tries to do one particular puzzle every morning during the journey.

He was pluming himself because he had made a record. He completed the puzzle while in the waiting room, before his train arrived. For him this was a record.

For more humble people there seems to be something of the element of a gamble in the speed with which the clues can be followed up, and I have seen people in opposite corners of a railway carriage racing each other for a complete solution of the same puzzle.

Case of Mistaken Identity.

AFTER the meeting of the National Council of Labour yesterday I had rather a curious experience. I approached a lady whom I quite honestly believed that I knew fifteen years ago. She was under the same sort of impression with regard to me. As I found out afterwards I had mistaken her for somebody else and she had done precisely the same thing with me.

But, if you will believe me, we talked together on all subjects from Spanish experience in air raids to Labour policy, and the conversation lasted about half an hour without either of us discovering that we really ought to have been talking to somebody else.

Parochial Church Councils.

SIR John D. Birchall, M.P., who, by the way, has been seriously ill in a London nursing home—he is making good progress now—has written an interesting article on the powers, rights and duties of parochial church councils, in the new edition of the Year-Book of the Church of England published to-day. Incidentally, he describes the name Parochial Church Council as "a mouthful." He gives some common conundrums and their answers.

Dealing with deductions from collections, which Sir John says is a common practice, he points out that it is illegal for a Parochial Church Council to make any deductions from moneys given in church for a specific object, unless it is so announced before the collection is taken.

While on the subject of collections it is perhaps not generally known that the incumbent has the sole right to decide whether a collection shall be taken at any service.

The Bishop of Ely (Rt. Rev. Bernard Heywood), writing on public worship, says:—"Happily it is becoming increasingly the custom to use the natural voice in parts of our Church services. . . . It is not always easy to persuade choirs to employ the natural voice in the Confession, indeed, there are some people who appear to have no natural voice when they are in church. But if we are to confess actual sins it is manifestly less easy to confess them on a note—or (worse still) in harmony—than if we are quietly saying the words of the Confession."

Duck Hunting In Mayfair.

ONE of London's oldest inns, Shepherd's Tavern, in the heart of Shepherd Market, where the old May fairs were held, is being reopened as a restaurant. The site of Shepherd's Tavern has been occupied by an inn since Edward I. granted, or confirmed, the right of holding a May fair in Shepherd Market to the Hospital of St. James's.

The hospital stood on the site of the present St. James's Palace, and was then a refuge for women suffering from leprosy. The fair lasted for more than a fortnight and was regarded as one of the principal amusement events of the year for Londoners. Booths of jugglers, fencers and boxers, the stands of mountebanks, swings and roundabouts, sausage and gingerbread stalls made their appearance in the 18th century and helped to add to the fun of the fair.

Santa Claus in Aeroplane.
"Goodwill Flight" Enterprise.

Behind the inn was a pond where duck hunting was carried out with spaniels. Gambling was high at this popular event, and so excited were the spectators apt to become that the pond was boarded round to the height of the knee to prevent people from falling in. Now modern requirements demand that the old inn shall go, and a fashionable restaurant and lounge bar take its place.

He Forgot His Words.

AT question time every Minister but one has a Parliamentary Private Secretary behind him armed with duplicate copies of the Ministerial answers. Oddly enough, the exception is the Chancellor of the Exchequer, and the reason for this is still more strange.

The Treasury do not make enough duplicates to enable them to supply the "P.P.S." So far no evil has resulted to Sir John Simon, but the possibilities have been revealed in an incident which has just taken place.

To the amusement of the House, Sir Kingsley Wood found that his list of answers was incomplete, and it was equally plain that he had "forgotten his words." Fortunately, Sir Edward Campbell was able to help him out. Sir Edward had a copy of the answer which was omitted from Sir Kingsley's bundle.

Mr. Shaw's Postcards.

AT one time Mr. Shaw's postcards were famous. He sent them to all sorts of people who asked him to do things that he did not want to do.

As the requests were invariably made by admirers of his work, it might have been imagined that they would be glad to receive even a postcard from so famous a man.

Oddly enough, this was not the case, and there have been occasions when it was considered that because of their brevity his postcards were lacking in politeness.

This, however, has not cured him of the habit, and, to the amusement of the world, he has just sent one more to a cricket club.

BELFAST THEATRES.

PRE-CHRISTMAS WEEK FEATURES.

SHOPPERS WILL LIKE THEM

ROYAL CINEMA.

The features at the Royal Cinema next week will be "Springtime in the Rockies" and "Blondes for Danger." The first stars Gene Autry in a musical comedy of the West, founded on the song which gives it name, and tells of college girls who try to teach cowpunchers their work. The second is a Gordon Harker starring medium about a Cockney taxi-driver who sets out with a beautiful woman passenger and runs into all sorts of adventures, grave and gay.

CRUMLIN PICTURE HOUSE.

The early week feature at the Crumlin Picture House will be "The Terror," which has all the mystery and thrill of the Edgar Wallace detective yarn capably transferred to the screen. The week-end feature, "The Awful Truth," has Irene Dunne and Cary Grant in a merry story about a pair whose only bone of contention is a dog. Full supports in both bills.

RITZ THEATRE.

A sparkling comedy with a romantic interest, "Three Blind Mice," heads the Ritz programme next week, and the story concerns three sisters who set out to pick up millionaire husbands. Loretta Young, Marjorie Weaver, and Pauline Moore are the girls, and the men include David Niven and Stewart Erwin. In support the Jones Family will be seen in "A Trip to Paris." Joseph Seal will be at the organ.

BELFAST HIPPODROME.

The Hippodrome offers next week revivals of two famous films. The first is "The Private Life of Henry VIII.," in which Charles Laughton did a lot of his best work and gave to the world a new conception of the height to which British screen art could rise. The second will be "The Scarlet Pimpernel," which made Leslie Howard and Merle Oberon famous.

CURZON PICTURE HOUSE.

"The Sheik Steps Out" at the Curzon on Monday, Tuesday , and Wednesday, is the film which gave Ramon Novarro the chance to prove that he was successor in title to Rudolph Valentino's histrionic glory, and Lola Lane, as leading lady, does not let him down. In support will be "Meet the Boy Friend," and for the week-end the features will be "Sky Devils" and "We're in the Legion Now."

CLASSIC CINEMA.

At the Classic next week Kay Francis shines in "My Bill," a story in which she is a widow who borrows from a banker who used to be a sweetheart, with the usual complications. Only Dickie Moore, her son, understands. The second feature will be "Hunted Men," in which Mary Carlisle and Lloyd Nolan appear, the latter as a suave and polished gangster.

ROUND OF PICTURE HOUSES.

ATTRACTIONS OF COMING WEEK.

The double feature bill at the **Picture House** next week holds Ronald Reagan in "Sergeant Murphy" and Billy Bennett in "Almost a Gentleman. The **Imperial** will show "My Old Kentucky Home" (Evelyn Venable and Grant Richards) and "Telephone Operators." The **Midland** has for early week "The Bride Wore Red" (Joan Crawford and Franchot Tone) and the mid-week change brings "Wife, Doctor, and Nurse." At the **Stadium** "Hard to Handle (James Cagney) on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, with Deanna Durbin in "Three Smart Girls" for the rest of the week. The **Savoy** has "You're Only Young Once" (Lewis Stone) for Monday, followed by "My Dear Miss Aldrich" on Thursday. At the **Coliseum** for early week is "Owd Bob" (Will Fyffe) and for the week-end George Formby in "Keep Fit." The **Clonard** has Maureen O'Sullivan and Walter Pidgeon in "My Dear Miss Aldrich" for the first part of the week, with "Love is a Headache" for Thursday. "Merrily We Live (Monday) and "Big Town Girl" (Thursday) are the **Troxy** features with a Radiotone Recorder contest all week. The **Regal** early week features will be "Swing, Teacher, Swing" and "Cassidy of Bar 20" with "She Married an Artist" and "Heading East" later. The **Capitol's** principal attraction will be "Joy of Living" (Irene Dunne and Douglas Fairbanks, jun.), with "False Roomers" and other supports. The **Picturedrome** is showing "Blockade" on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday and "International Settlement" on the last three days of the week. At the Bangor **Tonic** has "First Lady" and "Who Killed John Savage" for early week, followed by 'Joy of Living" on Thursday. The **Forum's** early week feature will be "It Happened One Night" and the late week attraction is "All Quiet on the Western Front." The **Windsor** sets out with "Sky Devils" and "The Lottery Bride" on Monday, with "Hard to Handle" and "Boys will be Girls" at the week-end. The **Strand** and **Majestic** are screening "Hawaii Calls" and "Law of the Underworld" on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, and "The Count of Monte Cristo" on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday At the **Castle** "False Faces" on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, gives place to "Merry-Go-Round of 1938" at the week-end. The **Park's** early week features will be "Every Day's a Holiday" and "Scandal Street," while the week-end brings "One Mile from Heaven" and "Courage of the West." At the **Alhambra** "Slaves in Bondage" is announced for Monday, followed by "Charlie Chan at Monte Carlo" on Thursday. The **Lyceum** will screen for three days "Hawaii Calls" and "Border Patrol," while at the week-end "Making the Headlines" and "Circus Shadows" will be featured.

EMPIRE THEATRE.

ALL-STAR VARIETY SHOW.

"FAMOUS MUSIC HALLS" SERIES.

A special all-star variety bill has been booked to appear at the Belfast Empire next week in conjunction with the B.B.C. for their series of "Famous Music Halls," of which the Empire is No. 6, and if one includes the many thousands of people who will "tune in" from nine till ten p.m. on Tuesday next, when portions of the programme are being broadcast from the Northern Ireland Station and relayed to London, North, West and Midland Regionals, then this stalwart hall of variety will have one of the largest audiences possible to imagine.

The programme for next week is one of the strongest seen in Belfast for some time, as befits the important occasion for which it has been specially booked, and is headed by Al and Bob Harvey, Canada's foremost radio stars. Then there is the old friend, "Mr. Thomas, Esquire," who is a great favourite in Belfast, and who comes with new material. Artemus and his Gang provide plenty of laughs in their crazy conjuring with eggs and blocks of ice, and Harry Seltzer, "The snappie chappie," also helps in the comedy department. Other acts on the bill include E. W. Sibbald-Treacy and Those Girls; The Derricks, in a daring serial speciality, Renee Rich, with her Boy Friends, and the Four Sydney Steppers.

The Lord Mayor (Sir Crawford M'Cullagh, Bart.) has kindly consented to be present on Tuesday next, and the management earnestly requests patrons to book their seats as early as possible.

KILKEEL SCHOOL PRINCIPAL.

Mr. J. Brown has succeeded the late Mr. J. Taylor as principal of Glenloughan P.E. School, Lisnacree, Kilkeel.

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BIG FIRE IN HEART OF BELFAST.

THRILLING SPECTACLE

FOR THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE.

DECORATIONS DELUGED.

A fire which caused thousands of pounds of damage broke out in the heart of Belfast on Friday evening, and the glare from the burning building was seen all over the city.

Shortly before seven o'clock a pedestrian going along Castle Street into Queen Street saw sparks coming from the upper storey of the building known as the Corner House, at the junction of Queen Street and Castle Street.

He informed a policeman, and while he was doing so one of the windows was lighted by the glare of flames.

The policeman rushed across to Queen Street Barracks and called the Fire Brigade, all stations being summoned from headquarters.

In the course of seconds fire engines were racing from all quarters of the city to the scene of the outbreak, and crowds of Christmas shoppers in the streets quickly made their way to Castle Street.

POLICE CORDON BUILDING.

Police from Queen Street Barracks formed a cordon round the burning building, and so gave the firemen plenty of scope in their efforts to deal with the fire.

When the brigade arrived the assistants who were in the Corner House drapery establishment on the ground floor had hurriedly departed.

The fire had then a firm grip on the whole upper storey, six windows in Queen Street and three in Castle Street vomiting flames, smoke, and sparks into the air, while from the roof huge sheets of fire were leaping twenty feet into the air.

It was an awe-inspiring sight, with cascades of golden sparks jumping high above the smoke and floating lazily to the ground as far away as Charlemont Street, 600 or 700 yards from the scene of the fire.

No time was lost in attacking the outbreak, lines of hose were quickly run out in Castle Street and Queen Street.

Some were carried through the lower storeys, some poured water on the flames from the Castle Street side and others from the Queen Street side, while other firemen made their way to the rear. In a few minutes many thousands of gallons of water were being poured into what was now a blazing inferno.

CEASELESS ATTACK ON ROOF.

A turntable escape was run up in Queen Street, and from its lofty top a fireman maintained a ceaseless attack on the blazing roof.

Sometimes he was vividly outlined as the flames shot up with a savage roar as a piece of the roof fell in. At others he was the centre of a fiery cascade of sparks, while more often he was hid from view in the dense smoke.

Soon water ran like a river from the doors on the ground floor, and it was heartbreaking to see the windows of the Corner House, dressed with all the skill of those who know how to attract Christmas shoppers, literally deluged with water from the ceilings.

True, the firemen did their best to save the stock inside by spreading tarpaulins—they actually cleared the goods from one window—but it would have been impossible to save any large percentage of it.

Several times it looked as if the outbreak had passed its worst point, but just then it would break out with renewed fury further along the roof.

There was one exciting minute when firemen working from an escape tried to force the first window in Queen Street.

Above them the woodwork had been burning fiercely for quite a time, and as they worked huge blocks of glowing timber commenced to fall upon them, rattling off their black helmets, and spattering their clothes with the glowing charcoal.

WOULD THEIR CLOTHING CATCH?

The thousands of spectators held their breaths. Would their clothing catch fire? was the question that raced through every mind, but fears were quickly allayed when comrades below recognised their predicament and sent a hissing stream of water against the burning woodwork. This cascaded down on the firemen, and while it soaked them thoroughly, it prevented them meeting more serious injury.

Then shortly after eight o'clock it looked as if the portion of the second floor furthest along Queen Street was to become involved.

There was a flicker of light inside, and a couple of hoses directed at the windows smashed them, sent a steady stream of water through, and obviated the danger.

Gradually the electric torches which the firemen were using inside could be seen working their way towards Castle Street, and it was obvious that the danger of involving other buildings had passed, but the entire upper storey had by that time been gutted.

It was one of the fiercest fires seen in the city for some time, and the Fire Brigade, who were under the command of Superintendent J. Smith, deserve the highest praise for the way in which they tackled a very big task.

All traffic was suspended on the Castle Street route as far up as Hamill Street during the time the fire was in progress.

DUNGANNON BLAZE.

GOORWITCH SHOP DAMAGE

PUT AT THOUSANDS OF POUNDS.

The extensive three-storey drapery establishment of Messrs. Goorwitch, Ltd., Scotch Street, Dungannon, was extensively damaged by fire on Friday night. The police patrol observed the outbreak in the kitchen above the main warerooms and raised the alarm. The local fire brigade and police under District-Inspector Duffy, made a prompt response.

The fire spread with amazing rapidity to the large cafe, and the spectacle attracted a very large crowd. Dense clouds of smoke and falling ceiling handicapped the efforts of the firefighters.

So threatening did the situation become that the Armagh Fire Brigade was summoned and made a record dash to the scene. The fire spread to the roof and rear portion of the premises. Part of the roof collapsed, sending up showers of sparks and flames. It required a strenuous two-hours work to subdue the conflagration.

Huge quantities of drapery and Christmas goods were destroyed, the damage running into thousands of pounds.

Messrs. Goorwitch acquired the premises from Messrs. Abernethy Bros., about ten months ago, and employed a staff of thirty.

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SCARVA GIRLS' AUXILIARY.

Scarva Girls' Auxiliary held their Christmas social in the Orange Hall, Scarva, on Friday evening.

Miss Gretta Crothers, assisted by Mr. Fergus Chambers, was in charge of the programme, which consisted of games, competitions, and musical items. The following contributed:—Misses R. Reid, J. M'Ilwaine, D. Freeburne, W. Connolly, and W. J. Cowan. The prize-winners were:—Misses D. Freeburne, E. Kinlay, Messrs. C. Gillespie, J. Plunkett, and E. Woods. An enjoyable team, provided by the G.A., was afterwards dispensed.

COLERAINE "INST."

RECORDS IN EVERY DEPARTMENT.

PRIZE DISTRIBUTION

BY EDUCATION MINISTER.

Splendid success in every department of school work was recorded at the annual prize distribution on Friday evening in connection with Coleraine Academical Institution. Never was the school more flourishing than at present, and the number of pupils on roll establishes a new record.

Mr. John M'Neill, M.A. (President of the School) presided over the proceedings, which took place in the Town Hall, and the prizes (a list of which appears in another column) were distributed by the Right Hon. J. H. Robb, K.C., Minister of Education. There was a large attendance of parents of the boys and other friends of the school.

The Chairman said the school had had another most successful and prosperous year. Major White was the mainspring of the school. Nothing that was for its good escaped him, and everything was carried out in the firm, quiet, effective way that was so characteristic.

The Chairman referred with regret to the deaths of Old Boys of the school—Rev. J. Lyle Donaghy, Rev. David B. Knox, Charles R. Anderson, David Baxter, Norman Brand, Thos. Houston, Merle Kirk, W. J. Mullan, J. R. Thompson, and R. B. Wray—all good men and true.

During the summer the Queen's University honoured itself and C.A.I. by conferring the degree of Doctor of Laws on Mr. T. G. Houston. No scholastic degree could add anything to the respect and affection felt for Mr. Houston by the people of Coleraine.

HEADMASTER'S REPORT.

The headmaster (Major W. White, B.Sc., D.S.O., M.C.) in his report, said the experience of another year brought to light a new problem or presented an old one in a new way. Most of those problems were of minor importance, or of interest to the teacher only, but at present became insignificant before the challenge being made to the civilisation they knew. The spectres of war, of cruelty, and of a dragooned mankind confronted them, and their democratic heritage of freedom—freedom of the mind and of the spirit—might be in danger. To their youth, who would have to meet and overcome that challenge, all engaged in education, in school and out of it, had a great responsibility. He sometimes wondered if those powerful teachers, the popular Press of all colours, realised that they had such tremendous responsibilities. Freedom of the Press was a boon too great to be abused, and truth should never be made subservient to a preconceived policy. Knowledge their young people must have, but even more should they be encouraged to think for themselves, to weigh evidence, to recognise unscrupulous propaganda, to hold fast to their highest ideals. His private opinion of ways and means was of lesser importance, but, as one loathing cruelty or oppression in any form, he hoped that in their schools they would never see the generous instincts of youth perverted to produce a regimented and entirely self-centred community. Rather let them work more consciously to strengthen the Christian virtues of kindness and consideration for others, that the individual be respected, and that their boys more fully realise their duties to their fellows first and to themselves afterwards.

Reviewing the school work, the Headmaster stated that in Senior Grade 26 of their 33 candidates were successful, a percentage of 78.8 compared with 74.8 for all Ulster, while 40 of the 44 candidates obtained Junior Certificates, a pass of 90.8 per cent. compared with a general pass of 78.2 per cent. In the Senior, 37 passes with distinction and 57 passes with credit were recorded and in the Junior Grade 83 distinctions and 128 credits were gained in the separate subjects. Their best boys did excellently and took high rank in their various subjects.

The examination successes which gave most general pleasure, however, were gained by their Army candidates. All three, N. M. Minford, W. Nicholson, and A. J. Clarke, were high on the list of candidates successful at the June examination and were now at the Royal Military Academy, Woolwich. From amongst over 400 candidates from all over Britain, Minford finished in 11th, Nicholson in 18th, and Clarke in 36th place. To Minford fell the distinction of gaining first place in the general knowledge paper and 2nd place in modern history, and Nicholson was 7th in modern history and 11th in mathematics. They were fortunate to have had such boys. With high academic ability they combined unusual athletic gifts and powers of leadership.

CORPORATE LIFE OF THE SCHOOL.

Out of class, he believed, the corporate life of the school was healthier and more vigorous than ever. Football, rowing, cricket,, tennis, badminton, the athletic sports, the school magazine, the dramatic society, were all enthusiastically supported, and gave opportunities of pleasure and helpful activity to almost every boy.

Having paid tribute to the old boys, Major White turned to the work of the present year, and said he found promise of greater things both at work and at play. The number of new boys was greater than usual. The total number in attendance had reached a new record, and the steady increase in the number of boarders was being maintained. During the past twelve years, the number had been trebled. He was glad of the opportunity of stating how much he, personally, owed to the work of his colleagues and friends of the staff. Their loyal support had meant everything to him and to the boys. Also to the Governors, and to Mr. M'Neill in particular, he owed a deep debt of gratitude for their generous counsel and consideration.

THE EDUCATION MINISTER.

The Minister of Education, after expressing thanks for the warm welcome accorded him, said this was his first experience of the local school prize-giving. It was not his first contact with the Borough, of which he had heard and learned much from relatives who had resided there. He recalled seeing C.A.I. defeating Galway Grammar School in the final of the School's Cup at Belfast, and said he had had the pleasure of playing against the school team as a member of R.B.A.I. He had known many of the Coleraine teachers, particularly Dr. T. G. Houston, O.B.E., and Dr. S. J. Hunter, while he was delighted to find himself under the Chairmanship of Mr. M'Neill. He knew, too, of the splendid work that the present Housemaster was doing for education in Ulster; he rejoiced that under Major White's leadership the school was forging ahead.

Continuing, Mr. Robb said he supported in the strongest possible way a study of the classics. Such a study was valuable from a utilitarian viewpoint, and in the realms of art and literature the classics were supreme. In conclusion he congratulated the school on the very successful year it had enjoyed and wished it every luck in the future.

A vote of thanks to Mr. Robb was passed, on the motion of Rev. T. Doey, seconded by Mr. J. T. M'Candless.

The proceedings concluded with an entertaining presentation by the pupils of J. Ellis Williams' three-act comedy, "The Sheep of Wm. Morgan."

'ASSEMBLY HALL SERVICE.

At the service in the Assembly Hall, Belfast, on Sunday afternoon, the preacher will be Rev. Dr. T. M. Johnston, B.A., who will have as his subject, "Is it nothing to you?" Giving a lead in the crusade against gambling, a statement on the positon will be made by Mr. W. J. Price, J.P.

The singing will be led by the choir of Straid Presbyterian Church, under the leadership of Mr. Gordon Wilkinson, who will preside at the organ. Mr. Sam Adams will be the soloist.

BURIED UNDER FALL OF EARTH.

WHITLA HALL ACCIDENT.

EVIDENCE AT BELFAST INQUEST.

Described as an unusual occurrence which no precaution could have prevented, the accident near Whitla Hall, Queen's University, on Friday last, when during excavations Samuel Moorhead, aged 34, labourer, of Wellwynne Street (Old Lodge Road), lost his life, was investigated by the Belfast Coroner (Mr. T. E. Alexander) at the inquest.

A verdict of "Accidental death" was returned, and the Coroner said the cause of death was internal hemorrhage following a ruptured lung.

The deceased workman was employed by Messrs. F. B. M'Kee & Co., Shore Road, and evidence was given by the foreman of the works, Archibald M'Cabe, Woodvale Parade, that he saw Moorhead filling a skip. Witness looked round to another skip, and hearing a noise turned back to see that Moorhead had been buried by the side of the excavation collapsing. Witness summoned the other 14 workmen, and within a couple of minutes Moorhead's head was freed, and his body was completely uncovered within five minutes.

Cross-examined by Mr. G. Leitch (for the next-of-kin), M'Cabe said no precaution could have prevented the accident, which was an unusual occurrence. He explained that it was the heart of the excavation, 8ft. deep, which collapsed, and said the whole land excavated would be five or six times the size of the Coroner's Court.

Mr. H. J. Catchpole, on behalf of the employers, joined in the expression of sympathy voiced by the Coroner. He said Moorhead had been highly respected by his colleagues.

SPANISH FOODSHIP SCHEME.

CAPTAIN AS SPEAKER.

AT BAZAAR HELD IN BELFAST.

Captain Don Luis Diaz de Lasaga, master of the Spanish vessel Cobetas, at present in Belfast, declared open a two-day bazaar in the Clarence Hall, Belfast, last night, in aid of the food ship which it is hoped to send from Belfast early in the New Year.

Mr. Hugh Todd, vice-president of the Belfast Trades Council, who presided, referred to the fact that the Spanish people were facing the severest months of the year. Captain J. Power, of the Attlee Battalion of the International Brigade, who with other Government volunteers had been withdrawn from Spain, had told him on a visit to Belfast that Dublin would play its part by sending a foodship from Eire. A committee had accordingly been formed in Dublin on lines similar to the Northern Ireland Joint Committee for Spanish relief. (Applause.)

"WORK WILL NOT BE IN VAIN."

Captain Diaz thanked the friends of Spain for their efforts, and said it was a nice gesture to the Spanish people in Belfast that they had been united.

"Your good work will not be in vain, for the foodstuffs you are sending will help the Spanish people to carry on the great struggle for freedom and democracy," he declared, amidst applause.

He also paid tribute to the men of the International Brigade, and said the Spanish people would never forget the brave men who volunteered to fight for Spain in her hour of need. (Applause).

There was a good attendance at the bazaar, and the various stalls were well patronised.

"MALICIOUS LYING CAMPAIGN"

WAGED IN GREAT BRITAIN

DENOUNCED AT SHANKILL MEETING

Sir Wilson Hungerford, M.P., speaking at the annual meeting of the Shankill Unionist Association in the hall, Tennant Street, Belfast, on Friday evening, referred to what he described as "the malicious and lying campaign" which was being waged against Ulster across the Channel.

He appealed to them to ask their friends across the Channel to send him statements appearing in newspapers there which adversely commented on Ulster. He would have them replied to, and in that way he hoped to build up in every part of Great Britain a band of workers whose usefulness to Ulster might one day prove of inestimable value.

Ulster had a complete answer to all the alleged or manufactured grievances, he added.

Mr. T. Somerset, M.P., said Mr. De Valera had returned to the attack demanding the abolition of the Border as the price to be paid for the co-operation of Eire with Great Britain in the event of war. In May last when the Eire Agreement was debated in the House of Commons he (Mr. Somerset) maintained that it was more than an Agreement—it was a surrender. Ulster's reply must still be "Not an inch." Their birthright as members of the British Empire was too precious to their people to be surrendered. Mr. De Valera had demanded the withdrawal of the British troops from Northern Ireland. The reply to that impudent suggestion was in deeds, not word. The new barracks at Magheralave and Ballymena, and the huge addition to the Aldergrove Aerodrome were soon to be started at a cost of nearly £1,000,000—ample proof that the Army was not only to be maintained, but largely increased.

Speaking of the Anglo-U.S. trade agreement, he said the new tariff reductions would mean that linens would not be so much the luxury article of the past; and with an improvement which showed signs of coming in the American market, he was very hopeful that when the customers over there get clear of the stocks they held, on which the higher duty has been paid, the Belfast linen manufacturers would secure an increasing volume of business.

He also referred to the committee that has been set up to deal with the flax question, and said the difficulty of the farmer growing flax in Northern Ireland had been the labour of handling it afterwards. The committee, with a substantial grant from the Government, proposed to buy the crop on foot as it stood in the field. They would establish retteries on the same lines as in Belgium, and it was hoped that that would encourage the farmers to increase their acreage. By that means it was hoped they might become more independent of the foreign suppliers of their raw material and give more employment to the mills in Belfast.

Mr. Wm. Dowling, M.P., and Councillor J. Craig also addressed the meeting.

Councillor James Holland presided. Mr. A. M'Gookin, hon. secretary, submitted the annual report, and Mr. George Condell, J.P., the financial statement.

It was stated that there were about 200 subscribing members and that efforts were being made to increase the number.

NELSON MEMORIAL CHURCH.

MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT.

A musical entertainment was held in the Lecture Hall of Nelson Memorial Church, Belfast, in connection with the G.A. and the Work Club.

In spite of the inclement weather there was a large and appreciative audience. The programme was superior and was carried through in a masterly way by the members of the Orrington Mixed Voice Choir, under the capable conductorship of Miss Rita Robinson, L.T.C.L. A sketch by Woodvale G.A. was much appreciated. A vote of thanks to the choir members and the other artists was proposed by Rev. R. Milford, B.A., seconded by Mr. T. Blair.

STILL THEY COME!

60 NEW COMPANIES ENROLLED.

PLANS FOR CHRISTMAS.

JOY OF GIVING TO OTHERS.

Extension seems to be in the air these days, and the number of companies in the B.B. continues to grow. At the end of last session there were 2,756 companies of the Boys' Brigade in this country, the largest number in our history. During the present session over 60 new companies have been enrolled in the British Isles alone. We welcome them all and wish them every success as they begin to build up, and we hope that every one of them will grow into a strong unit, loyal to its Church and to the principles of the B.B. This means good team work, officers, N.C.O.'s, and boys all pulling together and each doing his best.

Has every company made plans to do something for other people this Christmas? There is still time to arrange some form of service for others, a collection for the sick or the poor, the making or distribution of gifts or any other scheme to give expression to the Christmas spirit in the true way. If it means some sacrifice we shall be rewarded by experiencing the joy that comes through giving to others who are not so happy or so fortunate as we are.

On Saturday night last Boys' Brigade House was transformed with Christmas trees, Chinese lanterns, fairy lights, and other appropriate Christmas decorations for the Life Boy Leaders' Christmas Social. There was an attendance of 100 leaders and friends, who taxed the facilities of the building to the utmost.

After an excellent tea there was a programme of games under the direction of Mr. James Dorward, B.Sc., and at times the noise and speed of leaders running up and downstairs was more like that from a party of Life Boys than from their officers.

At intervals Miss Betty Norman rendered monologues, Mr. David M'Alpine sang songs, and Mr. Land entertained with trick sketches.

A CAROL FESTIVAL.

At the Christmas Carol Festival in the City Hall grounds on Christmas Eve 100 B.B. boys will form part of the choir. Company choirs are probably more popular to-day than ever, and there is no music the boys love as they do the old Christmas hymns and carols. There is no doubt that the assistance of such a large contingent of B.B. boys will help considerably towards the success of the event.

A Belfast officer who finds it necessary in the course of his business to travel a good deal in the North of Ireland was speaking just recently of the number of friends he has made through wearing the buttonhole badge. He told, too, how a boy on the short list for a good position managed to secure it through the fact of his wearing a badge announcing him as being a member of the Boys' Brigade.

No boy may wear the buttonhole badge until he is at least three months in the Brigade, but most of this session's recruits have now got at least that length of service and are entitled to wear the badge that signifies them members of the great brotherhood of the B.B. It is good to note that the tendency to have the badge chromium plated is now falling off, and that practically all boys are now wearing the badge in its original state, exactly as it is worn by the Brigade president and secretary, and many other notable people

One of the most useful of B.B. publications is the Belfast Battalion Fixture List. It contains details of all battalion events for the session with places and times; entry dates for competitions and tests, and dates of committee meetings.

COMPANY NEWS.

The 1st Belfast Company (St. Mary Magdalene Parish) were favoured on Saturday last by a number of lady friends interested in the company and the Life Boy team, organising and carrying through a very successful sale of cakes, etc. The handsome sum realised was handed to the trustees of the Parochial Hall as a contribution towards the cost of the recent painting of the building. The officers congratulate these kind friends and tender to them their sincere thanks.

The 3rd Belfast Company (Albert Street Presbyterian Church) are once again working hard in preparation for Christmas. For many years the company have sold private greeting cards for the benefit of the poor, and this has been done again this session. For some weeks an orchestra has been practising for the Christmas carol service, which will take place at the company Bible class on Christmas morning. Once again a neighbouring company (54th Belfast) will attend, as will also the church's morning Sunday school. The service consists of the singing of carols to orchestral accompaniment, solos, the reading of appropriate Scripture portions by the N.C.O.'s, and a very short Christmas address. Invitations have been issued to all the boys' parents and to friends of the company to attend.

B.B. WEEK EFFORT.

The 15th Belfast Company (Newington Presbyterian Church) are very grateful to their many friends who so generously supported their B.B. Week effort, which resulted in a record collection, and would assure them their interest and support is much appreciated. The boys don't expect thanks for doing this piece of service for the B.B., but nevertheless they deserve great praise for their enthusiastic efforts. Well done!

At the drill parade on Monday evening last congratulations were conveyed to Corporals Gordon Johnston and Sandy Saunders on obtaining the two highest places in the recent Battalion N.C.O.'s Practical Proficiency Test with 97 per cent. and 94½ per cent. marks respectively. Drummer's badges were presented to Privates Sam. M'Dowell and Stanley Martin, and a bugler's badge to Private Jack Miller.

The 44th Belfast Company (Christ Church Parish) have received an interesting letter from Mr. Jack Steen, formerly band officer of the company, now a member of the staff of the First East Cowes Company. The officers of this Isle of Wight company took a vote of the boys as to where the 1939 camp should be held. With unanimous consent the boys voted for Ganaway. Hearty greetings from Mr. A. E. Guttridge, Mr. Jack Steen, and the other officers and boys of East Cowes Company are heartily reciprocated.

SURE AND STEADFAST.

The 51st Belfast Company (Agnes Street Methodist Church) held its enrolment service last Sunday evening. Mr. J. Dunning, the captain, after the singing of the enrolment hymn, repeated the object of the Boys' Brigade and presented the company for enrolment, after which each boy received his membership card.

The Chaplain gave a very inspiring address to the boys, taking as his subject "Sure and Steadfast," in which he pointed out to the boys some anchors which hold sure and steadfast.

The Monday night meetings are well attended and all are looking forward to a very successful session.

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DR. GREGG AND PRIMACY.

CHURCH UNION'S REGRETS.

At a meeting of the committee of the Irish Church Union (Belfast Branch), Mr. Charles G. Henry, member of the General Synod, presiding, the following resolution was passed unanimously:—

"That this meeting regrets the reversal of the previous wise decision of Dr. Gregg to remain in Dublin.

"The members feel that he is not sufficiently in touch or in sympathy with the opinions of the vast majority of churchpeople in our Northern Province to ensure an amicable atmosphere for his work and they cannot view his occupancy of the Primatial Seat without some apprehension for the welfare of the Church."

It was directed that copies of this resolution should be sent to the Bishops of the Church of Ireland.

CO-OP. ELOCUTION CLASS.

CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT.

The Christmas spirit was strongly in evidence at an entertainment given by the Belfast Co-operatve Elocution Class and Junior Choir in the Husband Memorial Hall, Frederick Street, on Friday evening.

The play "Christmas Time" by the Senior Class was immensely enjoyed by the large audience, and all the other seasonable items also came in for a rousing reception. There were recitations by Edna Betty, Malcolm M'Keown, Tom Hamilton, Brian M'Cartney, Robb Doherty, Jack Ainsworth, Ernest English and Alan Steel; pianoforte solos by Nafra Johnston; choruses by the Junior Choir, and junior, intermediate, and senior versespeaking. Miss Jean Proven was at her best in each of her vocal items, and Mr. T. M'Cauley scored repeated successes with his Irish folk songs, while Mr. Welson Brown, L.L.C.M., gave delight with his flashes of wit, and his comic songs.

Altogether it was a notable evening, and the excellence of the programme reflected credit on Miss M. Scott, L.T.C.L. (eloc.), teacher of the Elocution Class, and Mr. N. Fitzsimons, L.T.C.L., M.R.S.T., conductor of the Junior Choir. Mr. R. A. Betty, chairman of the Educational Committee, presided.

ULSTER IN BIRMINGHAM.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY.

The Ulster Association of Birmingham and District held its annual Christmas party at Boot's Cafe, Colmore Row, Birmingham. The room was specially decorated with an abundance of holly and mistletoe, and 140 Ulster folk and their children had a most enjoyable evening, joining in many of the old Christmastide games and competitions. Miss Phyllis Cowan, the Ulster secretary of the Overseas League, paid a special visit to Birmingham in order to attend the party.

IRISH SOCIETY'S SCHOOL.

COLERAINE BOYS' CONCERT.

The numerous friends of the Coleraine District Nursing and Child Welfare Society who accepted the invitation of the secretary, Mrs. Shaw, and her willing helpers, to attend the concert given in Terrace Row Hall, Coleraine, by choirs from the Hon. the Irish Society's Boys' School, thoroughly enjoyed the programme presented to them. Alderman R. F. M'Cartney, Mayor, presided.

After an orchestral opening, a group of carols was rendered, outstanding being "Wenceslas," with Edgar Wisener and David King as page and monarch. The "Snow White" scenes were delightful, Ronnie Peacock, Leslie M'Candless, Drew Cobban, Jackie Elliott and Shaun Struthers being excellent. The tuneful choruses with orchestral accompaniment, led by Mr. L. M'Cann, were a treat. The second part of the programme scintillated with boyish vivacity. It included duets of Roy Rankin and Ernest M'Dermott, dove-tailed with the choruses of the crew of the "Saucy Sue" under the jolly leaders Ronnie Graham, Tom Waddell and Leslie Mann. Mr. M'Cann's violin solos were warmly received, and the Coleraine Orchestral Society, which he conducted with Miss Blair at the piano, showed good technique and sound training. In the afternoon performance some pieces were rendered by the school orchestra in a promising manner.

Capt. W. A. Lane, M.C., the agent of the Hon. the Irish Society and manager of the schools, presiding, commended all those who had given their help in providing the entertainment.

A PAGE FOR THE WEEK-END

GUIDE FOR BOOKLOVERS

Five Books About Ireland

"GLADSTONE AND THE IRISH NATION." J. L. Hammond (Longmans, Green & Co., 36s).

ON the making of books on Ireland there is apparently no end. Five more volumes on the "distressful country" have made their appearance. Most imposing in every way is Mr. J. L. Hammond's work on "Gladstone and the Irish Nation," which runs to 768 pages, which in itself is a drawback when one is dealing with a subject that in the light of the developments in Irish history since Gladstone's death has merely an academic interest for all but the close student of Irish politics, which now, as in the last century, comes down to one issue, and that is loyal acceptance of membership of the British Empire as Ulster accepts or desire to be a petty little republic or semi-republic with but the most casual association with the Commonwealth.

Mr. Hammond makes a curious slip in his preface, in which he refers to Lord Balfour, who, as Mr. Gerald Balfour, played so important a part in constructive politics in Ireland. He is on shaky ground when he says that Pitt was afraid of the Presbyterian Church of the North. He was no more afraid of them than was Gladstone of their descendants, who were amongst the most vigorous opponents of his Home Rule policy. The G.O.M. never fully realised the extent and the sincerity of Ulster's opposition to Home Rule. He accepted the view of his Nationalist allies that Ulster's hostility was negligible, just as Mr. Asquith fell into the same error in 1914.

The task that Pitt gave to England, says Mr. Hammond, was that of maintaining an alien Church, an alien land system and an alien view of property and justice. Disestablishment ended one of these grievances, successive land laws wiped out landlordism. The laws of property were made largely the same as those of England, and justice was administered on the British system, with occasional special legislation to deal with the breakdown of ordinary law through criminal combinations. Was the separatist desire modified by all this legislation. The answer is to be found in the rise of the Republican Party.

There is much of intense interest in the chapters on Parnell, land reform, and the murders of the early 'eighties. Mr. Hammond, unlike most writers on Ireland, states his facts as fairly as he writes clearly and indeed brilliantly. He is a great admirer of Gladstone, and though Ulster people disagreed with him on the Home Rule issue, they will endorse the author's summing up of his subject—at once a great politician and a great prophet, a great Englishman and a great European, a great Minister of State and a great Minister of Justice.

"IRELAND, THE NEW ALLY." John Gibbons (Robert Hale, 8s 6d).

INFINITELY less free from partisanship is John Gibbons' "Ireland, the New Ally." The title alone makes those who really know Ireland smile. It reminds one of the "burning loyalty to the Empire" which in an ecstatic orgy of Celtic fervour Mr. Lloyd George said in 1921 would henceforth characterise the Green Isle, but yet in 1938 the Union Jack dare not be flown in the land of the new ally, where the policy is to keep what little trace of association with the Empire remains in a dark corner.

It would be interesting to know the sources from which Mr. Gibbons obtained his information about Belfast and Ulster. After some silly remarks on Catholics and Protestants, he says: "But really it's all nonsense, isn't it?" We agree. Here are some of his gems:

"Take Ewart's Row and the priest will ask for a police escort. Or you want a Roman quarter like the Crumlin Road."

"In the Six Counties there is hatred and persecution."

"English taxpayers largely subsidise the Six County Government."

There is an endless array of this kind of nonsense. Just one more quotation. Mr. Gibbons says that the test question in securing employment in shipyard or factory is "Curse the Pope." If the man will say "To hell with the Pope then he can have the job; if he refuses to say it then he can stop outside in the cold." The recklessness, to put it mildly, of such twaddle about a city where 95 per cent. of the Roman Catholic workers are in the employment of Protestant firms, not to mention the large numbers in municipal and Government service is not evidence of that sense of fair play that is said to characterise Englishmen. The utter onesidedness of the book so far as the position of the North is concerned destroys its value. His attempts at humour at the expense of the Ulsterman are as poor as the tittle-tattle he serves up is silly. And with all his dislike of the North Mr. Gibbons has to admit "that the one flag not represented in Dublin is our own." Truly a valuable new ally.

"ULSTER, IRELAND, BRITAIN." W. S. Armour (Duckworth, 5s).

"ULSTER, Ireland, Britain," is described by the publisher as an examination of the "tragedy of partition." The author, a son of Rev. J. B. Armour, whose semi-political utterances provided the General Assembly with an hour of mirth every year, seeks to present a case for one Parliament in Ireland, but he labours under the delusion that if people do not see eye to eye with him they are to be pitied. Belfast's political, mental and moral advancement, he says, has been wilfully and blindly arrested for a hundred and fifty years, and there can never be any improvement when Britain bars the way; and again, "In North-East Ulster there has been no change since 1176. Wherever the British flag has flown in Ireland the inhabitants have been denied the gift of reason to this day."

There is more in this strain. It strikes us as childish and pays but a poor compliment to the intelligence of Ulstermen. The people who made Belfast a great city in less than one hundred years and made the Province of Ulster a fertile land were not fools. It is, of course, very wicked of them and their descendants of to-day to rejoice in their association with the British Empire and to take pride in the Union Jack as their flag. Mr. Armour is an admirer of De Valera, of whom he says he would have more confidence than in any other statesman, for the simple reason that his motto has been "No Surrender" and he sticks to it gamely with an honesty which has commanded respect.

Lord Craigavon's motto was also "No Surrender," but it is anathema to Mr. Armour, who is a man of talents, but it is a pity he has not turned them to better account than by writing this singularly unconvincing and ineffective plea against partition. Perhaps he will say it is because we have the mentality of 1176 that we cannot agree with him.

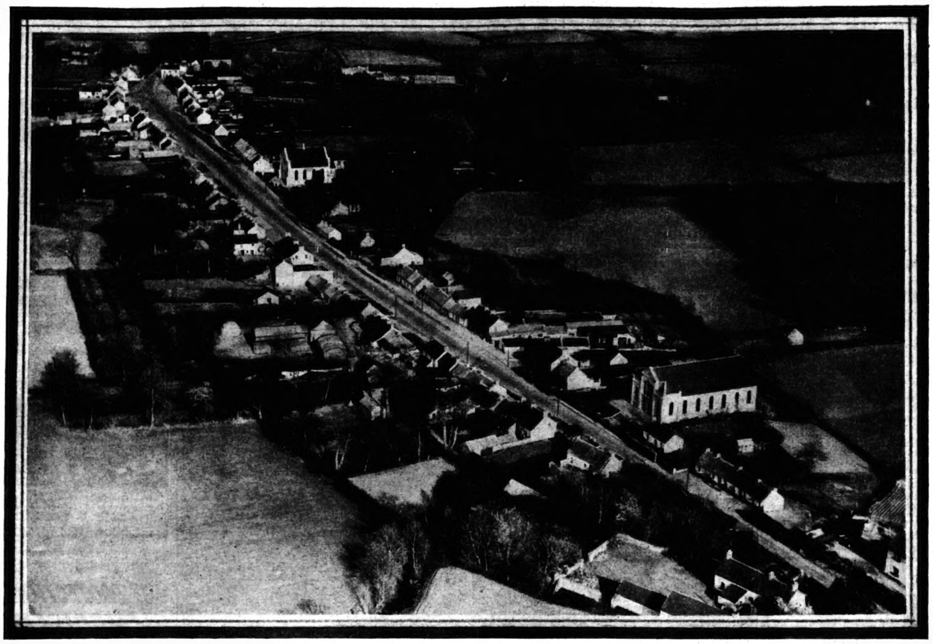
"GREEN BANNERS." R. M. Fox (Secker & Warburg, 12s 6d).

"GREEN Banners" deals mainly with the rebellion in Dublin in 1916, but throws little fresh light on that sordid revolt, whose originators sought to stab England in the back when she was fighting for life on the Continent. There is a strong anti-Ulster bias in the work and a travesty of the career of Lord Carson, who is described in his early days as a Crown prosecutor as "attacking the simple and unlettered, dragging old and young labourers into the dock and subjecting their women folk to wolfish cross-examination." There is not one word of the appalling outrages and murders that were rampant at the time.

"A HISTORY OF MEDIEVAL IRELAND." Professor Edmund Curtis (Methuen & Co., 15s).

PROFESSOR Curtis's "History of Medieval Ireland" has been out of print for several years, but has now been completely rewritten and reset, and furnished with new maps.

It still remains the only book which covers *in extenso* the period from the death of Brian Boru to the "All-but-kingship" of the Earls of Kildare. In the main Profesor Curtis aims at telling the story of the "First Conquest" by the Anglo-Norman invaders of Strongbow's time, which at its conclusion was admitted to be a failure justifying, from the official point of view, the "second" or Tudor "Reconquest." It is therefore an indispensable study not only for its own time but for later history. It is written, not with the zeal of the partisan as are most Irish histories and books, but with the spirit of the searcher after truth.



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HOLLYWOOD HOLIDAY

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Six-Minute Story, No. 29,

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IT was a shame to think that I must leave Hollywood, after a two weeks' stay, without seeing as much as one single picture made. True, I had passed the studios and seen the huge outdoor sets, the cardboard castles, half-timbered houses, and three-ply Normandie nestling together behind high guarded walls, and I had seen Marlene Dietrich rush by in her Rolls-Royce—at least they told me it was her Rolls-Royce—and that was surely enough to startle the folks back home. But that was all I had seen of filmdom's glamorous workings.

As I walked along the palm-lined sidewalk—my packing done and an hour to wait—about five gas stations up from my hotel, thinking what a shame it was I must leave this land of open necks, giant malted milks and dog hospitals, I saw a crowd of people ahead of me elbowing each other and tip-toeing to gaze at something.

I immediately hastened my pace, thanking my lucky stars I was tall, and could see over the heads of the shoving humans.

Six tough gum-chewing policemen played a kind of "ring around the roses," hands outstretched to hands in a semi-circle, trying to keep the inquisitive noonday crowd at bay.

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DRAWN up by the kerb was a large open automobile and a sound truck. Three gentlemen in white caps and leather zipper jackets coaxed and peered into a camera which was perched on a wooden platform built on to this open automobile.

A fourth gentleman shouted through his megaphone, and waved his fat bejewelled hands about at the objects we were all staring at.

One object was a husky youth with black wavy hair and long black lashes, covered in a suit that was padded to such an extent in some places and taken in to equal extents in other places that he looked hardly able to move without breaking. I heard it whispered that he was miscast as a gangster.

In his huge hand he held a small revolver which was held very closely into the back of a terrified lady in a mink coat. She screamed and screamed, and the more she screamed the more a face from out of the sound waggon yelled "O.K., O.K."

The gentleman with the revolver was saying, "All right, lady, give us yer jewels," in his best and toughest accent; everyone said he was amazing, it sounded really Westside, and the policemen kept on chewing gum and leaning back on the fast-enlarging crowd.

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THE open-mouthed crowd was a mixture of bronzed, chewing college students in bright sweaters and black and white shoes, with books under their arms, coloured chauffeurs with expensive dogs on leads and rude, fat little boys with rings on their fingers and rubbers on their feet, sucking "good humour" ice-cream pies.

A woman next to me said I had a "kind face," and would I mind holding up her little girl to see the movies taken. The little girl had marcelled hair, a handbag swinging from a long handle which she held stiffly out away from her as if it might bite, and a strong odour of "five-and-ten-cent" perfume. Back home they told her she looked like Shirley Temple.

She kept clicking her tongue and rolling her eyes round and round as she wriggled up and down on my shoulders, telling her mother all she saw going on from her high point of vantage.

What was going on was that the wretched woman in the mink coat was undoing her diamond bracelets, and so worked up that the mascara had run all over her face, and completely closed her eyes. She tore the pearls from her throat, the clips from her blouse.

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WHEN all the jewels were stuffed into the hero's hip pocket they rather spoilt his contour, but on he went.

"Yer bag, lady, and how about this rabbit coat, sister?"

The policemen chewed on and the tip-toed crowd chewed on, and the stripped lady lay weeping on the fake marble sidewalk.

"All right. Cut it, boy."

The sound waggon careered off, and a man next to me said, "Wonderful, isn't it? That will be printed and recorded in a couple of hours." I thought what fun it would be telling in a loud whisper, so everyone near me in the theatre could hear: "I saw this picture being made when I was in Hollywood."

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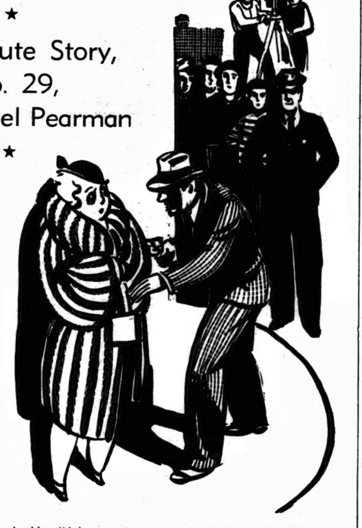
THE policemen jumped into the open auto, and the hero jumped into a large white car, and they all shot off down the palm-lined street as if they were going to a fire.

The only fly in the ointment was the weeping woman on the pavement. She didn't get into any car. She just lay shaking and blurry-eyed there.



The little Temple on my shoulder slid down with a "Thanks, mister," and elbowing through the crowd, approached the wretched woman with her autograph book open at a pink page and her fountain pen unscrewed.

"Can I have your signature, lady?"

Wiping her running eyes and nose on her sleeve—you see her handkerchief was in her bag, and the young man in the tight suit had taken the bag—the poor woman turned up her smudged face, and wailed out at the curly-haired child, "Signature hell! I'm Mrs. Waycross Jennings Astor, and I've just been robbed!"

This Week's Winner

This happy snap wins for Mrs. C. Conway, of 9 Whiterock Gardens, Belfast, this week's half-guinea prize in our Happy Childhood Photograph Competition.

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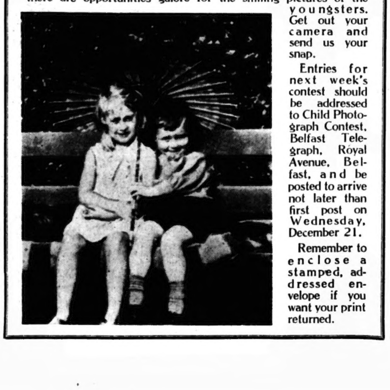

Entries for next week's contest should be addressed to Child Photograph Contest, Belfast Telegraph, Royal Avenue, Belfast, and be posted to arrive not later than first post on Wednesday, December 21.

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HISTORY IN SURNAMES

ORR and ITS ORIGIN

ALTHOUGH there have been other more or less ingenious theories, there is little doubt that the surname Orr was mainly derived from a place-name.

The River Orr, by which some would have held lands or had their homes, has been variously spelt Oir, Oar, Ore, and Orr—the present form. The word itself meant water, and "oir" and "oer" were Brythonic forms of the Doidelic "uar." It is quite possible, therefore, that there were some Orrs who got their name from no specific place-name, but from the simple fact of having a habitation by some water.

One of the curious theories referred to is worth mentioning, if only in jest. This is that sometimes the name came from the occupation for which the dialect words were an "orra merchant." This was a dealer in all manner of odd things. For instance, there is an Edinburgh tradition of a curious city character who displayed a sign intimating "orra things bought and sold." We are told that his wares were odd shoe-buckles, skates, tea-pot lids—in fact, the sort of lumber which accumulates in second-hand shops or are sent to church jumble sales.

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BUT it is a wild stretch of the imagination to identify any Orrs with the orra merchants. It was a great surname in Scotland long before orra had become familiar in the dialect of trade.

In one old and well-known family the name has now become coupled with that of Ewing in a baronetcy of Ballikinrain in Stirlingshire, and of Lennoxbank in Dumbarton, but this had been held by an Orr, the last being Sir William Orr, who held the title at the end of the last century.

The name has had its long and honourable links with trade in Dumfriesshire, where one, Thomas Orr, was Deacon of the Shoemakers more than a hundred years ago. It has also produced distinguished soldiers as Colonel Alexander Stewart Orr, who fought in Egypt and South Africa, and Major Michael Orr, who distinguished himself in the Soudan and on the Nile.

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THE surname has been notable both in Scotland and Ireland, and Major Sir Charles William James Orr was the son of Major Orr, of Coleraine. He has been High Commissioner of Cyprus and Colonial Secretary at Gibraltar, and has fought on the Indian frontier and in South Africa.

Much in notice has been Sir John Boyd Orr, M.C., M.D., because of his important report on dietary and national fitness.

Mr. Arthur A. Orr, educated in Dublin and at the Royal College of Arts, has won special eminence for his fine ecclesiastical work. He has adorned cathedrals in Derry, Dublin, and in India and Canada, and in the recent Royal Academy Exhibition was represented by his designs for windows for a London church.

Mr. John Charles Orr, born in Belfast, was a vice-president of the Institute of Journalists and was some time chairman of the Ulster District. He has just celebrated his 80th birthday.

Next Week—ALEXANDER.

A PLAIN MAN'S SERMON

Sweetest of All the Virtues

I DO not know how the phrase originated; but perhaps some of our readers can tell us how it comes about that we say of conceited people that "they think no small beer of themselves." Anyhow it is one of the greatest mistakes which it is possible to make; for those who have a good conceit of themselves are invariably disliked, just as surely as the humble-minded are universally loved.

Christ's teaching is very full of the thought of the beauty of humble-mindedness. We remember how He took a little child and set him in the midst of His Disciples, and told them that the more fully they could learn to make themselves as humble-minded as a little child, the nearer they would be to the Kingdom of Heaven.

He told His disciples that when they received an invitation to a meal they should always be careful to seat themselves in the least honourable places at the table; because if you sit down "in the lowest room" (place), there is no danger of your being asked to move down!

The Pharisees, who were earnest religious people, spoilt it all by "loving the uttermost places at feasts and the chief seats in the synagogues, and liking to be called 'Rabbi.'" In His well-known parable of the Publican and the Pharisee, Christ has taught us that the further away we are from having a good opinion of ourselves, the nearer we are to the heart of God.

But most of all in His own example did He teach the beauty of humility.

We are getting within sight of Christmas once more; and we can never keep Christmas without remembering that at the very centre of this glad Festival, which warms all people's hearts, there stands a manger, where the world's greatest lesson of humility was given.

CHRIST'S CORRECTION

THERE is, too, a sweet humility about the whole earthly life of Him Who chose to begin it in such a lowly way, and Who, from the 30 years spent in the obscurity of Nazareth to His self-chosen ignominious death upon the cross, persistently "emptied Himself" and "made Himself of no reputation."

His acceptance of the title of "the Carpenter's Son" ought to remind us that we are not really at our greatest when we are much concerned with our social position and prestige. He showed always a marked preference for the company of poor and humble folk; and we recognise that as being one of the many beautiful things about His character.

When the rich young ruler called Him "Good Master," He gently corrected him, telling him that no one but God must allow himself to be called "Good." It was the natural shrinking from any kind of flattering words of One Who was utterly good.

We remember that scene at the Last Supper, when, girded with a towel, He knelt and washed His disciples' feet. It was meant, as He told them, to be a summing-up of His whole incarnate life, and to show that we are at our greatest and our best, not when we assert ourselves and feel ourselves to be superior, but when we have the spirit of him that serveth, and are ready to wash one another's feet.

Saint Paul, reflecting on the Gospel story, feels that it is the great humility of it which constitutes its really exquisite beauty; and he tells his converts that the first thing which they have got to do as Christian people is to show that they have in themselves the "mind which was in Christ Jesus, Who humbled Himself, and made Himself of no reputation."

That it is the business of the Christian man or woman to "think soberly" of themselves, and to have done with silly pride, is an axiom which we should all probably admit. The Christian Faith has always put pride first on the list of the deadly sins—which, at first sight, may surprise us; but Christianity has made no mistake in doing so.

THAT CAPITAL "I"

ON the other hand, it has always taught that humility is the sweetest of all the virtues, and the very bed-rock foundation of any character which could be described as Christ-like. The man or woman who has not learnt it has not taken even the first step towards imitating Christ or following His teaching: for the simplest definition that one can give of a Christian is "a humble-minded person." Not, of course, unctuous and canting humility; but the real and lovable humility of Christ.

The rules of English grammar teach us to spell "I" with a capital letter; and we do find it enormously hard not to think—and often to speak—much about ourselves. Harder still do we find it to allow ourselves to be passed over, to sit down contentedly in the lowest room and to make ourselves of no account.

The world being what it is, to be humble-minded "does not pay." No doubt this is quite true; but it depends, of course, upon what sort of "pay" you are looking for.

You will, indeed, very often find yourself being thrust to the wall, and have to watch other people who, devoid of all modesty, push themselves forward, being made much of and taken at their own valuation by undiscriminating people. But if you are content to think small beer of yourself, to be modest and humble-minded, neither to think nor speak too much about yourself, everyone will love you. And that, after all, is a very great thing, and worth a great deal more than many other types of "pay" which one can think of.

REV. L. B. ASHBY.

THE DOCTOR'S CORNER

BROKEN LEG

WHENEVER there is any possibility that a person has a broken leg, he should not be moved until splints have been applied. Anything rigid such as an umbrella or a piece of a brush handle is suitable for emergency splinting.

The splints should be bandaged to the limb so as to include the joints above and below the suspected break. If this is not done, avoidable pain is caused and there is the risk that, in the case of a simple break, the skin may be punctured, when the patient is moved.

A skin wound exposes the patient to infection by the germs of blood-poisoning.

MUSIC ARTICLE

The "Messiah" Obsession

HOW IT BECAME ESTABLISHED

There is a curious irony in the fact that the work which has taken and kept the firmest hold upon the affections of Protestant Britain belongs to that class of oratorio which derived its main characteristics of style from Italian opera. At first thought it seems surprising as well as ironic that the staid British defenders of the faith of Luther and Geneva should have taken "The Messiah" so fervently to their bosoms; but on a closer reflection we realise that there is nothing surprising, but only a proof of the bovine lack of artistic discrimination in the great mass of the British people.

Its Artistic Lineage.

The matter is a complex one; and it is worth our attention at this season, when all over Great Britain—and nowhere more fervently than in our own corner—we are having the annual bursts of "Messiah" fetishism—a fetishism which is the grand summing-up of all the various exhibitions of piety throughout the year. "The Messiah" is, as it were, the plum-pudding prototype of the Protestants' year of religious music-making; and it is of interest to make some inquiry into its artistic lineage.

The idea of a "sacred drama with music" goes back at least into the Middle Ages; and from the 12th century onwards there is no lack of such pieces, however small the scale of their devising. There seems little doubt that the early oratorio (though not so-called) had much in common with the Nativity and morality plays of the early Church; and actually the first large-scale oratorio, Cavalieri's "La Rappresentazione dell' anima del corpo" had, as its characters, Time, Life, the World, Pleasure, the Mind, the Soul, and the Body, thus clearly marking its affinity to the old Moralities. The description "Oratorio" was first used in the services which St. Philip Neri held towards the end of the 16th century in his Oratorium (or praying-chapel) in Rome. These services were of unpretentious character, consisting in a sermon and readings of Scripture, interspersed with the singing of the hymns known as Laudi Spirituali; and probably nothing more would have come of them, so far as the establishing of a new art-form was concerned, if they had not coincided in time with the rise of opera amongst the Literati of Florence.

Florence and Rome.

For those who attach importance to dates I suppose there is nothing more remarkable in all history than the fact that the first opera, Peri's "Euridice," and the first oratorio, Cavalieri's "Representation of the Mind and the Body," appeared, in Florence and Rome respectively, in the same year; and the fact that that year was the first of the 17th century has a special significance in that the new movement was the deathblow to the old contrapuntal art of the preceding century—probably the boldest revolutionary stroke ever delivered in the whole history of the arts.

Rome and Florence were alike set upon the new art, which determined to exploit the full gamut of human emotions with a dramatic directness which would no longer be obscured by any interplay of vocal counterpoint; and the fact that Florence went secular and Rome sacred has no more than a geographical significance and does not disprove the fact that both centres were united in one common cause.

The further history of oratorio in Italy need not detain us: the Italian style sank lower and lower in respect of gaudy display and of concern with the merely surface things of human activity—thus following the gradual trend of Italian opera, with which I dealt recently. Of more interest is the progress of things up North. Germany, for all her cardboard angels and Christmas-card naivete (a naivete which lasted right down to our own time, as seen in the work of people like Mahler), nevertheless had a purer ideal, which was able to adopt the new dramatic style and yet preserve it from the taint of a too obtrusive theatricalism; and in the work of Bach's two great predecessors, Heinrich Schütz and the later Keiser, there is (to quote a particularly happy phrase of Ernest Walker's) "a spring-like devotion" not to be found in the Italian works of that mid-century period.

"Christmas Oratorio."

Of course Germany had the steadying influence of the Lutheran Chorales, which, as we know, soon made their appearance in the German "Passion" oratorios and in the Church Cantatas—nearly three hundred of them—that Bach produced. Indeed there is little to distinguish the German oratorio from the smaller church cantata except the difference of size; and Bach's "Christmas Oratorio" is actually a series of six cantatas (each with its chorale, to be sung by the entire assembly), one for each of the holy-days from Christmas to the Epiphany.

Walker says: "In the Christmas Oratorio the dramatic element is practically non-existent, the pastoral music being the only portion which is not, so to speak, evangelically mystical in outlook." The curious fact about it all, and the one which makes the whole matter so complicated, is as follows: Italy which, a hundred years earlier, had had its Palestrina school, church music of a sublime mysticism and an unearthly ecstasy that stands—and will surely stand—unrivalled, fell from grace and failed to rear her two children, opera and oratorio, in separate nurseries; whereas Germany, with no such glorious past as Italy, with nothing, indeed, of her own to contribute to the form save the staid, four-square (and often deadly dull) chorale of the Reformed Church, yet nurtured the oratorio form and preserved it from taint, until it emerged, with the full glow of maturity, in the Passions and Cantatas of John Sebastian Bach.

Handel's Chequered Career.

But there was Handel: co-patriot of Bach and born in the same year (1685), but destined to a far different career amid the far-off fields that were green with material opportunity. This likely lad betook himself when 18 to Italy, there to imbibe Italian opera for some years. In 1710 he came to England; and thenceforward he pursued his chequered career—now plutocrat, now bankrupt, selling his artistic soul over and over again to hold his fickle public, who adoringly buried him in the Abbey in 1759. So we got Handel's oratorios: the first of them ("Esther," 1720) when his public had tired of his operas and he had to find something new to tickle their palates and incidentally to keep the pot boiling. He did it again and again: in 1741 he did it supremely well in "The Messiah"—and is still doing it, forsooth! Is there a more unequal work in the world? Is there anything in the whole history of the British people that has so completely gulled that gullible people?

The German influence brought over by the Prince Consort set the seal upon the deadly Handelian obsession—an influence which gave us "Hymns Ancient and Modern" and the Dykes-Barnby-Stainer school. But the odd thing is that those worst elements of Teutonic sentimentalism, which so affected us (ready as we have always been politely to accept any foreign shoddy that was offered us), were not suffered to affect the course of the best German art, which went from strength to strength, from Bach to Beethoven; and if Germany has fallen in her latter days, at least it may be said that she has fallen not for sentimentalism gone treacly but for intellectualism gone mad.

Easy to Sing.

So we took "The Messiah" to our hearts: because it is easy to sing, likeable in the easy Italian manner, and above all because its libretto is from the Bible. Indeed it is hardly too much to say that the finest things in "The Messiah," the truly inspired things that are worthy to stand beside the best things of Schutz and Bach—for example, the Nativity recitatives, the tenor Passion solos, "Behold the Lamb of God," or the "Amen" Chorus—are not nearly so popular as the facile bonhomie of "And the glory" and "Glory to God," the somewhat carnival gaiety of the "Hallelujah," the just-too-assured, surface assurance of "I know that my Redeemer liveth."

Compare the ready-made facility of the Handel work with the not so easily comprehended (and certainly by no means so easy to vocalise) "Christmas Oratorio." Even the Pastoral Symphony of Handel (just a charming little Italian "pifferari" piece, taken at its proper speed) is far from Bach's. Or compare "He shall feed His flock" (another pifferari tune, is sung quickly enough) with Bach's sublime song "Slumber, Beloved." Compare the two works from A to Z, and you will find (or if you don't, it is your misfortune, not Bach's fault) that the one is lit with the mystic light that points to the Crib, while the other is in greater part, devised with that worldly craft wherewith priests and princes and peasants have often used the story of the Crib for their own ends.

Laudable Enterprise.

My congratulations to the Bangor Harmonic Society and Mr. Godfrey Brown for their exceedingly good performance of "The Messiah." The choral work had assurance, spirit, and a certain distinction of style which (though indeed I went mostly in sympathy with a good cause) gave me real pleasure. Now, for a change from the ubiquitous Handel, why not a pilgrimage to St. Jude's to-morrow afternoon, when Mr. Vine and his Belfast Singers are to give Parts I. and II. of the Christmas Oratorio and some carols? A laudable undertaking which is, I hope, only the initial step towards the complete oratorio with orchestra.

RATHCOL.

SUICIDE OF U.S. DRUG FIRM'S CHIEF.

HE SHOOTS HIMSELF

AFTER POLICE REVELATION.

BROTHER TAKEN: SEEK ANOTHER.

Philip Musica, alias Donald F. Coster, president of M'Kesson & Robbins, the 105-years-old drug firm, whose assets are alleged to be £3,600,000 short, committed suicide yesterday at his country mansion at Fairfield, Connecticut.

He was 54. He shot himself a few hours after the police had announced that he had been identified as an ex-convict who was the central figure in a £400,000 fraud in 1912.

His lawyer, Mr. Samuel Rich, was downstairs talking to Mr. George Dietrich, assistant treasurer of the company, when they heard a shot. Rushing upstairs they found Musica dead.

A few minutes earlier the police broke into the Brooklyn (New York) home of a younger brother, Arthur Musica, who had been acting as Montreal agent of M'Kesson and Robbins under the name of George Vernand. It is stated that he was on the point of fleeing the city when he was arrested.

THIRD BROTHER WANTED.

Search is now being made for a third brother, George Musica. It is understood that the police suspect that Philip Musica was involved also in gun-running and the liquor traffic. Philip Musica was a son of a Neapolitan barber who emigrated to the United States in 1883.

DANCE AT GLENARM.

In aid of the Carson's True Blue Flute Band, Glenarm, an Orange reunion and ball was held on Friday evening in the Orange Hall, Glenarm. There was a large attendance, and Br. James Hendry officiated as M.C., while the dance music was contributed by the Glenarm Pioneer Orchestral Band.

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PORTSMOUTH PROJECT

IS STRONGLY OPPOSED.

OBJECTION BY THE ADMIRALTY.

I understand that the Admiralty maintains its strong objections to the scheme for establishing a £1,250,000 Empire air base enterprise at Langstone Harbour, Portsmouth, writes the "Daily Telegraph and Morning Post" air correspondent.

Proposals embodying the scheme have been approved by Portsmouth City Council, despite the Admiralty's protest that certain activities in the Portsmouth Naval Base "could not exist side by side" with a neighbouring civil airport.

There is, I am informed, no truth in the reports alleging friction between the Admiralty and the Air Ministry over the scheme. The nature of the former's objections is not disclosed, but they are understood to be based on important defence considerations.

The accommodation at Southampton Water is inadequate. The needs of the Empire services are increasing. Still further demands will be imposed by coming Atlantic services, in which both British and American flying boats will be engaged.

The project for increasing the accommodation at Southampton Water by dredging a long channel near the present flying-boat base does not make progress.

No matter which plan is adopted, it will be at least two years before Imperial Airways can be relieved from the present difficulty of operating from an airport too small for the traffic using it.

Two other schemes have been considered. One would utilise Pembroke Dock.

The other scheme suggests the establishment of a flying-boat base at Mucking, near Southend. I understand that it is not regarded with favour by the Air Lines.

BANBRIDGE ACADEMY.

FORMER PUPILS' ASSOCIATION.

The third annual meeting of the Banbridge Academy Former Pupils' Association was held in the Dunbar Memorial School, Banbridge, on Friday evening.

Mr. Brice Moore, B.A., LL.B., president, occupied the chair, and Dr. W. Haughton Crowe, vice-president, principal of Banbridge Academy, was also present. The following office-bearers were elected:—President, Brice Moore, B.A., LL.B.; vice-president, W. Haughton Crowe, D.Sc.; secretary, J. Hamilton, L.D.S.; treasurer, W. Cross; committee, Misses F. M'Clure, M. Johnston, S. M'Crory, Captain J. M'Kinstry, and Mr. W. E. Holton.

WORLD AFFAIRS.

PREMIER'S REVIEW ON MONDAY.

"NO CONFIDENCE" MOTION.

AGRICULTURAL PROBLEMS.

In four crowded days next week, the British Parliament will review the problems and perplexities of the whole world (writes the Press Association Lobby correspondent).

Before they break up on Thursday night for Christmas, M.P.'s will have had important discussions sweeping from the dangers now confronting the European nations to the questions waiting to be answered in the Far East, from the more homely theme of our voluntary National Service plans to the urgent query of what we are now going to do to pacify indignant farmers, and from demands for better British roads to proposals for improving the lot of the unemployed.

When he faces the House in the big foreign affairs debate on Monday, will the Prime Minister's words foretell a peaceful New Year? That, for most people, is the all-important question. They will seek anxiously a message of peace, if only "between the lines," in Mr. Chamberlain's words.

He will not shirk the issues. Admittedly there have been set-backs and unexpected disappointments since the days that followed Munich. Skies that seemed then clear have become clouded. Friction has sometimes followed friendliness. But the keynote of Mr. Chamberlain's speech is likely to be his faith in and his determination to pursue that path of appeasement for Europe which he has marked out so clearly, and upon which the hopes not of the British Nation only so much depends. Perhaps he will indicate how everyone can help to bring these hopes to fulfilment by playing a part in the schemes for service in defence.

Mr. Chamberlain will speak in reply to a Labour motion of "No confidence" in his foreign policy. Questions covering the whole field of foreign politics will be put by Dr. Hugh Dalton, who moves the motion, and by others sometimes on the Government side of the House.

MR. SANDYS' QUESTIONS.

Mr. Duncan Sandys, for example, will ask Mr. Chamberlain whether on his visit with Lord Halifax to Rome next month, he will inform Signor Mussolini of the impatience of the British public over the continued intevention of Italy in Spain, notwithstanding the assurances given to the contrary, and whether he will consider indicating that, unless the Italian forces are withdrawn within a specified period, the British Government will lift the embargo on the sale of arms to Spain.

On this point comment is sure to be made on Mr. A. Butler's admission that "a certain amount" of assistance has recently been given from Italian sources in Spain, but that this does not mean much more than "replacements," and certainly not any increase in the personnel of Italian troops.

The Liberals—for whom Sir Archibald Sinclair and Mr. Ernest Evans will speak—will contend that any increase whatever is contrary to the pledge given.

Mr. Chamberlain will deal with his visit to Rome, and probably with such varied points as the position regarding Tunis, the guarantee of the Czecho-Slovakian boundaries, our £10,000,000 loan to Prague—whose financial delegation will be returning shortly for further loan talks—the Memel situation, and other matters.

Sir John Simon (Chancellor of the Exchequer) will wind up the debate for the Government, and very few "abstentions" from voting in the division are expected among those Government supporters who are critical of our foreign policy. Mr. Alexander will sum up for Labour, and Mr. Churchill may speak.

NATIONAL SERVICE.

A remarkable degree of agreement in all parts of the House may be anticipated on the Government's National Service motion, which Sir John Anderson (Minister for Civilian Defence) will move on Tuesday. This motion reads—"That this House, recognising that the taking of measures to protect the lives and homes of the people, at all times transcends in importance all Party differences, welcomes the decision of his Majesty's Government to rely upon the voluntary services of the peoplec, but recommends that the results of the scheme for National Service proposed by the Government be reviewed by this House at the end of March."

Concessions to Sir Arnold Gridley and other Government supporters is made in the decision to review the position in March, but this is not interpreted as a threat of ultimate compulsion, which in any sphere would be hotly opposed by Labour.

Sir Edward Grigg and others are putting down an amendment favouring a Compulsory Register for National Service. On Monday the General Council of the T.U.C. will consider the replies they have had from Sir John Anderson and Mr. Ernest Brown (Minister of Labour) on various questions they asked about the National Service proposals. That night the National Council of Labour will consider the whole problem, and on Tuesday Labour M.P.'s will also review it just before the debate. Mr. Arthur Greenwood will probably speak, with Major Lloyd George for the Liberals.

DISSATISFIED FARMERS.

Agriculture is to be raised by Mr. Richard Acland in the adjournment debate on Thursday, but there will be much activity before that. Preliminary meetings will be held on Monday in York, where later 17,000 farmers and others are to discuss the whole problem as it affects Yorkshire. That night in a private room in the Commons Sir Edward Ruggles-Brise, Mr. Turton, and other officials of the Conservative Agricultural Committee will tell Mr. W. S. Morrison (Minister of Agriculture) that his increased subsidy for barley-growers should also be given to those who grow wheat.

Mr. Morrison's barley subsidy will cost an extra £400,000. One M.P. estimates that the total subsidy necessary to put the whole agricultural industry safely on its feet would be £50,000,000. Alternatively he suggests farmers will go out of business, and the outlook for Britain will be a grave one.

In concert with the Dominion Governments, we should consider all practicable arrangements for settling people from this country in the Dominions according to a motion which Mr. Crowder will move on Wednesday. This will be followed by one from Mr. Higgs urging that industry requires better roads. An amendment from Mr. Simpson, Mr. Watkins, Mr. Ben Smith, Mr. Dobbie, Mr. Walkden and Mr. Walter Green stresses the importance of co-ordination with other forms of transport, so that a good deal will be heard of the road v. rail problem.

Mr. Leslie Burgin (Minister of Transport) will the same evening announce his decision with regard to Miss Ellen Wilkinson's efforts to prevent certain barrow traders in London from being turned off the main streets in the interests of speedier traffic.

THE SPECIAL AREAS.

Conditions of the unemployed and special area problems will be raised by Labour in the adjournment debate on Thursday.

Lord Rankeillour will on Monday in the Lords ask for a statement as to the future constitution of Ceylon. He wants full Parliamentary discussion before decisions are made.

When the House resumes on January 31 one of the first questions to be asked will be from Mr. A. M. Lyons, K.C., to Sir John Simon. It brings up the problem of "human wear and tear" in industry. Mr. Lyons wants to know, in view of the concessions made with regard to machinery, whether the Chancellor will consider granting relief to the small taxpayer for expnditure incurred in consequence of medical or surgical treatment necessitated by personal illness. In other words are machines to be more considerately treated than men?

THE LONDON LEAD.

FOREIGN PRESS BALL TROUBLE

IN THE BELGIAN CAPITAL.

GERMAN THREAT TO WITHDRAW.

The inclusion of Josef Schmidt, a singer of Jewish origin, and two "Aryan" women dancers from Vienna, on the programme of a ball given in Brussels, caused a great deal of anxiety to the Foreign Press Union, which was responsible for the function, and may lead to the resignation of some of its committee members, states the "Daily Telegraph and Morning Post" correspondent.

The Prime Minister, Dr. Colijn, and other members of the Government were present with most of the members of the Diplomatic Corps.

The Foreign Press Union was informed that if Herr Schmidt sang in German, as he intended, the German Minister, members of the Embassy, and German journalists would leave at once.

It is believed that pressure was brought to bear on the singer, for his four songs were sung in French, Roumanian and Italian. He was loudly cheered by the large majority of the audience, the 50 Germans present remaining silent.

"A BAD JOKE," SAY NAZIS.

Under the heading, "A Bad Joke," the London correspondent of the "Hamburger Fremdenblatt" solemnly rebukes the London University undergraduates who staged a "rag" to satirise Italy's anti-French demands, states the "Daily Telegraph and Morning Post" Berlin corespondent. The students carried banners calling for the return of America to Britain.

"The Englishman loses most of his charm when he tries to be humorous," the correspondent states. "English jokes are generally clumsy, boring, and sometimes intolerably irrelevant.

"After long thought the students of London had the idea of staging so-called counter-demonstrations against the Italian popular demonstrations. These 'wags' fail to realise that national questions of vital importance are at stake on the other side."

NAZIS ARREST JEW.

GOLD HIDDEN IN BUTTONS.

SHARP-EYED CUSTOMS OFFICERS.

According to a report in the "Goettingen Nachrichten," the German Customs police have arrested a 29-year-old Jew, Max Hahn, for attempting to smuggle a quantity of gold and jewellery out of the country (states the "Daily Telegraph and Morning Post" Berlin correspondent).

Hahn is alleged to have notified the Customs authorities that he was going to Palestine on a visit of investigation—presumably on emigration possibilities—and to have presented his luggage for examination.

A Customs officer is reported to have found a gold watch concealed in the heel of a ski boot, a pearl necklace hidden in a belt, and gold pieces covered with cotton wool and silk sewn on to a dressing gown in the form of buttons.

Hahn's father, who is stated to be a wealthy man owning a large quantity of real estate, has also been taken into custody.

JEW REFUGEES IN KENYA.

The refugee question is putting Kenya into a dilemma, states the "Daily Telegraph and Morning Post" Nairobi correspondent. Because of the fear that the colony may be swamped by undesirable refugees the Government has introduced a Bill giving immigration authorities discretion to demand individual bonds up to £500, as compared with £50 according to the present rule.

It is stated that some 200 refugees have entered the colony in the last year, and 50 applications are being received weekly. Most European elected members oppose the £500 bond suggestion on the ground that it would discourage much-needed new settlers.

The Bill has been referred to a select committee.

ITALY AND TUNISIA.

GAYDA DEMANDS OPEN DOOR

HOT BED FOR ANTI-ITALIANS.

ROME, Friday.—There are indications that Italy's aspirations in Tunisia are now taking sufficient shape to be hinted at in the controlled Press. All evening newspapers return to the attack of the need for Tunisia this evening.

Signor Gayda, who is considered to be the Government's mouthpiece on such occasions, again devotes 5,000 words in the "Giornale d'Italia" to the question. His article may be summed up as follows:—

First of all, Tunisia must cease to be a hotbed for anti-Italians. He evidently alludes to those people, Africans, who have given trouble to the Italians in Tripolitania. He says that too often agitators have stayed in Tunis, and then gone over the frontier into Tripolitania to carry out their anti-Italian plans, wires the "Daily Telegraph and Morning Post" correspondent.

There must be no more forcing Italians who have settled in Tunisia to become French citizens. Signor Gayda asserts that this system has given the French population of the Protectorate a fictitious superiority over the numbers of Italians.

Moreover, Italians in the Protectorate must have special and favoured treatment. They must have some form of administrative autonomy. Signor Gayda also demands the open door for Italian immigrants, because he claims it is Italian labour that has made Tunisia what it is to-day.

"Il Popolo d'Italia," which is the property of the Mussolini family, gives the same points as Signor Gayda—namely, that only one-third of the land in Tunisia is unfit for cultivation, and twelve and a half million acres which might be very productive are uncultivated because the French have not enough people to look after it. The civilisation of Africa depends upon Italy's demographic expansion in that continent. Europe does not stop on the Mediterranean. It stretches over to Africa. Tunis ought to become the land of promise for Italo-French collaboration.

The other newspapers write in much the same way, but "Il Popolo d'Italia" adds that the soil and methods of husbandry in Tunisia are the same as in Sicily. Therefore, the Protectorate is particularly adapted for Italian emigration. This fact, it asserts, is proved by the large numbers of Sicilians who have settled there in modern times.

FRANCE'S "NOT AN INCH."

PARIS, Friday.—Commenting on M. Bonnet's statement that France will under no circumstances relinquish a single inch of her colonial empire, and that any attempt to compel her to do so would lead to an armed conflict.

"Le Temps," in a leading article this evening, said "M. Bonnet's declaration seems to have aroused much ill-humour in Fascist circles in Italy. It is clear that on the other side of the Alps speculation was too hasty in believing that domestic troubles in France would make our empire a relatively easy prey. Fascist Press campaigns will not alter facts, and it is well that it should be realised across the Alps that Tunisia is and will remain racially, politically and militarily bound to the French Empire."

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UKRAINE'S FUTURE.

EUROPE ADVISED TO WATCH EVENTS.

A NEW MOVE OF THE NAZIS.

POLAND AND RUSSIA AS VICTIMS.

The Ukrainian question is discussed with unusual frankness in the "Schlesische Zeitung," of Breslau, a newspaper with military and Conservative traditions going back to 1742, wires the "Daily Telegraph and Morning Post" Berlin correspondent.

It clearly reveals Germany's interest in the establishment of an independent Ukraine mainly at the expense of Poland and Russia.

The paper publishes a map of "Ukrainian racial territories," which embraces Ruthenia, small sections of Hungary and Roumania, South-East Poland with the town of Lwow (Lemberg), and the whole of the Soviet Ukraine with the Crimea and the towns of Kieff and Kharkoff.

The Carpathian Ukraine, as Ruthenia is known in Germany, has, it states, become during the last few weeks the "spiritual centre of 45,000,000 people."

For the first time for centuries the Ukrainians now possessed a small strip of territory where they could be masters in their own house.

"WHEN THINGS MOVE."

"It may perhaps be premature," adds the paper, "to describe the barren forest land of the Carpathians as the 'Piedmont' of the Ukrainian race. But it would mean shutting one's eyes to the facts if one failed to realise that this idea is very much alive among the Ukrainians in the Czecho-Slovak Republic."

The moment when things started moving in Eastern Europe would find the Ukrainians of Poland ready to defend their racial heritage and fight for a Ukrainian State.

News from the Soviet Ukraine, it is claimed, shows that Nationalism and not any particular departures from the party line had been the reason for the purge there.

"It would be advisable," concludes the article, "for Europe to follow events in this area very closely if it does not wish one day to be surprised by events whose extent we cannot foresee to-day. One thing is certain—the Ukrainian race will live."

DANIEL WOLF IN PARIS.

COLONISATION SCHEME

FOR THE JEWISH REFUGEES.

PARIS, Friday.—Mr. Daniel Wolf, the Dutch Jewish millionaire, has arrived in Paris to obtain the support of French Jewish bankers for a colonisation scheme for Jewish refugees. Mr. Wolf has already given close on 1,000,000 guilders (£120,000) towards the scheme, which is known as the International Jewish Colonisation Society. He states that he is ready to substantially increase his support.

"While I was in London I talked the scheme over with Jewish financiers," he said to-day to me, wires the "Daily Telegraph and Morning Post" correspondent. "Our aim is to find permanent homes and livelihoods for the Jewish refugees from Central Europe. Much is being done at present by various other organisations to help them and alleviate their sufferings. We seek to achieve the co-ordination of all these activities on behalf of Jewish refugees, and to raise a vast international loan with which to finance a really large scale scheme of colonisation for the persecuted Jews of Central Europe, if possible on a non-charitable basis.

"The cost of transporting a Jewish family to a colonial home and establishing it there we estimate at about £300. As there are some hundreds of thousands of Jews to be cared for you will see that we need a very large sum.

"A board of trustees for the international loan has already been set up. We intend to set up a large international board with sub-committees for the finance survey and study of colonial problems. The Dutch Government has placed a colonial expert at our disposal, and we hope that other Governments will do the same and help us as much as they can."

Mr. Wolf stated that the society hoped that Palestine will absorb Jewish refugees, but that it is realised that there is not enough room in Palestine for the urgent need of the refugees. They were helping, but not competing with the Zionist organisation, he said.

CZECH AND GERMAN.

CLOSER CUSTOMS RELATIONS.

CONSULATES TO BE OPENED

HUNGARIAN ATTACKS TO STOP.

It is announced that agreement has been reached between Czecho-Slovakia and Germany on a new preferential Customs tariff, states the "Daily Telegraph and Morning Post" Prague correspondent. Details are not revealed, but it is believed that they will link Czecho-Slovakia very closely to the German economic system.

Czecho-Slovak Consulates are to be opened in the areas recently annexed by Germany, in the first place in Reichenberg and Troppau.

It is announced that, in view of the urgent necessity of keeping up Czecho-Slovak exports, M. Chwalkowsky, the Foreign Minister, has dropped his plan to close a number of Czecho-Slovak Consulates abroad. Consulates will be combined, with Legations where possible.

Negotiations are now in progress between the Czecho-Slovak and German Governments on other matters both in Prague and in Berlin. In Prague the negotiations concern the ownership of certain works of art to which the Germans are laying claim. In Berlin the talks concern the future relationship of the Film Press Theatre and tourist organisations of the two countries.

UNITING THE STUDENTS.

Discussions are also in progress with the object of establishing close relations between German and Czech student organisations. Dr. Reiche, who is representing the German students, has addressed to the Czech Students' Union a letter in which he says the German students will do everything possible to reach a friendly understanding with the Czechs.

The new Hungarian Foreign Minister, Count Czaky, informed the Czecho-Slovak Minister in Budapest, M. Milos Kobr, that Hungary is ready to resume friendly relations with Czecho-Slovakia. He told M. Kobr that the attacks on Czecho-Slovakia in the Hungarian Press and on the radio would now cease.

The Counsellor of the Hungarian Legation in Prague, M. Janos Voernle, has been recalled to Budapest. He will be given a special post in the Foreign Office with the mission of re-establishing good relations with Czecho-Slovakia.

Relations between Hungary and Czecho-Slovakia have been so bad since the Munich Agreement that there has been no train service between the two countries. Letters despatched in either direction frequently failed to arrive.

Telephone communication between the two countries was restored only a fortnight ago.

THE RECHABITE ORDER.

"QUEEN" AT BANBRIDGE TENT.

The Rechabite Queen and her Consort proved very popular visitors at the variety concert held under the auspices of the Path of Peace Tent of the Independent Order of Rechabites in the Temperance Hall, Banbridge, on Friday evening. Rev. R. Buick Know, of Ballydown, presided, and following the Queen's speech a programme of songs, recitations, dances, sketches, and humorous items was presented. The programme was in charge of Br. Harpur, District trustee.

BRITAIN'S "SHADOW"

MINISTRY OF SHIPPING IN CASE OF WAR.

CENSUS OF VESSELS

HAS ALREADY BEEN COMPLETED.

I understand that plans have been completed for establishing a Ministry of Shipping in the event of a national emergency, writes the "Daily Telegraph and Morning Post" shipping correspondent.

The new Ministry would come into being immediately the emergency developed, and all shipping on the British register would at once be brought under its control.

Owing to the reduced number of British merchant vessels as compared with 1914—there are 2,000 fewer cargo-carriers—the economical employment of tonnage is regarded as being of capital importance. This could be effected only by a central co-ordinating authority with full executive powers.

A "Shadow" Ministry of Shipping has existed for some time past: It could, I am assured, be translated into substance in a matter of days.

ALLOCATION OF TONNAGE.

One of the Ministry's chief functions would be to allocate all available tonnage to suitable trades, to prevent congestion on some routes and inadequate service on others. It would work in the closest collaboration with the Admiralty, since the latter would be responsible for the organisation and protection of convoys and the defence of shipping as a whole.

Docking and ship repair facilities all round the coast would probably be brought within the Ministry's jurisdiction. These have already been surveyed in detail with a view to the contemplated diversion of shipping from ports directly exposed to air attack, to others more remote from the danger zone.

One of the formidable tasks preceding the establishment of a Ministry of Shipping has already been completed. This was the taking of a census of all British shipping from ocean liners to yachts and fishing vessels.

Tonnage has been sub-divided into many classes, each class being earmarked for particular service. The details collated include, I understand, age, dimensions, speed, manœuvrability—or behaviour under helm—radius of action, maximum passenger accommodation, and/or cargo capacity, and draught of water under varying conditions of load.

AVOIDING 1914 MISTAKES.

No such detailed information in a readily accessible form was in Government possession on the outbreak of the last war, and, as a consequence, there was considerable waste of tonnage and much confusion. There is every reason to hope that this would be avoided in a future emergency.

Further, the Merchant Navy, apart from its reduced numerical strength, is far better prepared for such an event than it was in 1914. This is due to the large reserve of guns and other defence equipment, the great number of merchant officers who have taken the Admiralty Defence courses, and the substantial proportion of ships which have been structurally prepared for the mounting of defensive armament.

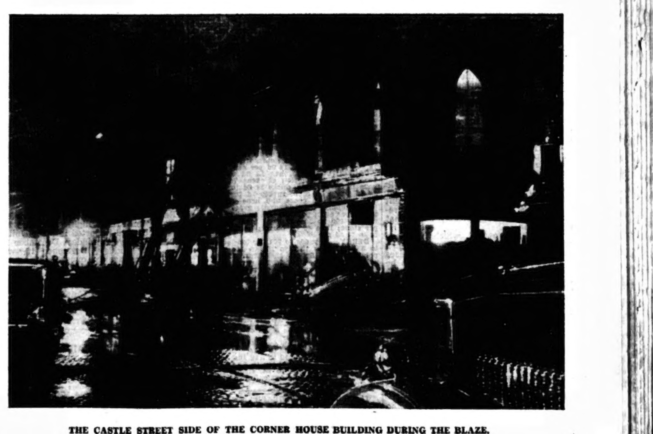
CARRICKFERGUS ENTERTAINMENT.

An entertainment was given by the Virginian Blacks Concert Party in the Jubilee Hall, Carrickfergus, on Friday evening. Mr. John Campbell, J.P., presided, and the proceeds were in aid of the local branch of the British Red Cross Society.

This Week's News in Pictures. See the "Weekly Telegraph."

Fire In City Centre

SCENE IN QUEEN STREET, BELFAST, DURING THE FIRE IN THE TOP FLOOR OF THE PREMISES OCCUPIED BY MESSRS. J. & R. MOFFETT, LTD., ABOVE THE CORNER HOUSE.



THE CASTLE STREET SIDE OF THE CORNER HOUSE BUILDING DURING THE BLAZE.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

VERY QUIET MARKETS

BUT OUTLOOK VIEWED HOPEFULLY

RAILWAY STOCKS HARDEN

LONDON, Friday Night.—In the past week business on the Stock Exchange has been extremely quiet, but in the past few days there has been manifested some improvement in the tone of the markets, as it realised that savings have been increased and that the public will be willing to support the markets so soon as the international political situation takes a real turn for the better, which it is thought quite possible it may do early in the New Year as the result of the Premier's visit to Rome. But while the markets have been quiet and, indeed, in some cases lifeless, some interesting developments, both pro and con, have occurred.

British Government stocks have inclined to dwindle, but despite the very poor traffic returns for the past week Home Railway stocks have hardened on the Minister of Transport statement that the companies have made out a good prima facie case for revision of the restrictive statutory enactments under which they operate. The recoveries are very marked in the case of the prior-charge stocks of the Midland and North-Eastern.

There has been some improvement also in the quotations of the Argentine Railway stocks, as damage from frost is now assumed to be no longer likely in the areas served by the companies. Foreign Government Bonds, more especially the German and Austrian issues, have been depressed somewhat heavily, while the Chinese and Japanese issues have weakened further for want of support.

ADVERSE FEATURE.

Unfortunately the outstanding development in the Home Industrial department has been an adverse one, namely, the slump in Seager Evans shares that has resulted from the fall of over 50 per cent. shown in the companies profits for the year to end July last and the simultaneous announcement that the "negotiations with interested parties" (from which so much was expected) have fallen through. In consequence the shares show a fall of 5s 9d to 29s 3d, which price compares with 46s at one time this year and over £3 per share at one time last year.

Bowaters Paper Mills have fallen to a further low level on the disappointing decline reported in the company's earnings in the past year, but some of the leading iron and steel shares have recovered appreciably, and Stewarts and Lloyds Deferred have risen on the strength of the huge order for steel pipes received from Port Elizabeth.

Shareholders in the Chinese Engineering Co. have been very gratified to learn that despite the war in China the company earned last year £34,800 more than in 1937.

FAIREY SHARES HARDEN.

Fairey Aviation shares hardened on the dividend and bonus announcement of 12½ per cent. and bonus of 2½ per cent., but B.A.T.'s preliminary statement proved disappointing, although the market generally was not expecting the same distribution as last year. The profits were £169,500 lower at £5,590,900, while the final dividend of 8d made a total dividend of 20 per cent., tax free, as last year, but no bonus this time was added as against 1¼ per cent.

The Australian Conversion Loan 4 per cent. 1965-70 opened no better than 2¼ discount as the underwriters had been left with 60 per cent.

Cables and Wireless Ordinary stock has fluctuated sharply and shows on balance a rise of 1½ points in the hope that some relative, if not actual, improvement will be shown by the traffic index figure for November now due.

WALL STREET HELPFUL.

Transatlantic stocks show good gains on the week, as Wall Street has latterly shown a disposition to ignore the European political denouements, the exception being Brazilian Tractions, which fell heavily on Friday following the directors' announcement that no dividend action can be taken with respect to the Ordinary shares because of the cessation for many months past of remittances from Brazil.

MINING SHARE MARKET FIRMER.

Although there has not been a lot of activity in the Mining share market the general tendency has been slightly firmer. Several of the dividend payers have been supported on Paris account, Crown Mines being a firm feature. The Kaffir dividends announced during the week were in accordance with market expectations. Among the non-producers Palmietkuils have attracted attention. Simmer and Jacks, however, have been offered. Of West Africans Ashantis are firm at 4 3-32 on the dividend and bonus. Of Diamonds, De Beers Deferreds have moved slightly ahead, while Coppers show some improvement, notably Rhodesian Anglo-Americans. Anacondas have also strengthened on better Wall Street advices.

Tin shares, where altered, are slightly easier as compared with a week ago.

RUBBER SHARES WEAKER.

A weaker tendency has prevailed in the Rubber share market during the past week despite the improvement in the commodity to 8 1-32d per lb. and the excellent American consumption figures. United Sua Betongs have fallen rather sharply, while Malaccas have weakened on Continental offering. Other leaders, however, are little altered on balance.

OIL SHARES FIRM.

The Oil share market has presented a firm appearance during the past week, but the best points have not been maintained. Royal Dutch have risen, while Trinidad issues and British Borneos have moved ahead. Mexican and Canadian Eagles have also changed hands quite freely.

TEA SHARES STEADY.

There has been little activity in the Tea share market during the past week, and share values have been little altered.

AMERICAN OIL POSITION.

The Petroleum Press Bureau speaks in hopeful tones of the American oil industry. The measures taken to counteract over-production are successful, although progress is somewhat slow. Summing up for the year 1938 it is expected that the total gasolene sales will exhibit an increase over 1937, and thus achieve a new record, while domestic consumption will, it is anticipated, not fall far short of the 1937 level. It is significant that stocks of gasolene have been reduced to a level appreciably below that of last year.

The refinery output, which has been restricted, has already improved the position, but the Bureau emphasises that if a lasting recovery is to be secured before the spring of next year the industry cannot afford to relax its efforts to secure a better adjustment between supply and demand. The leading British oil shares have been stagnant recently, but probably more on account of political considerations than anything else. Shells have been under 4, and they are now very little above that figure. If all goes well with the American industry there should be a sharp rise in Oil securities in London, and there is confidence that over a period of six months they will show an improvement.

PARINGA PAYS DIVIDEND.

When discussing the report of the Paringa Mining and Exploration Company disappointment was expressed at the absence of a dividend. At a meeting to-day, Mr. C. S. Beale, chairman, agreeably surprised shareholders by mentioning that the Board had decided on a final dividend of 2½ per cent. for the year to August 31 last and also an interim dividend of 7½ per cent. on account of the current year. He added, too, that there should be another interim and a final distribution for the current year, while he expressed the hope that quarterly dividividend should be possible later on. For the past three years Paringas have been recommended on the mining position, which is growing stronger daily, and although the progress has not been spectacular it has been sure as the increases in the ore reserves proves. Those who require a cheap share should not forget Paringas, which with the Ordinary fortune should further improve.

WEEKLY BAROMETER.

RISES.

Great Western Railway 28¼+¾.
Great Western 5 per cent. Cons. Pref. 82+6¼.
L.N.E. Pref. Ord. 4 7-16+¼.
L M S 13¼+1.
L M S 4 per cent. Pref. 1923 28+3.
Cordoba 1st Debs. 55+1¼.
Dorman Long 23s 6d+1s 3d.
United Steels 22s 6d+1s 1½d.
Stewart & Lloyds Defd. 41s 9d+1s.
Chinese Engineering 18s 7½d+1s 1½d.
Imperial Chemicals 30s 1½d+6d.
Cables Ord. 36¼+2¼.
P. & O. Defd. 21s 7½d+10½d.
Nickels 57⅞+1¼.
Steels 70¼+2¼.
Chrysler 88⅞+4¾.
British Celanese 2nd Pref. 7s+1s 6d.
Courtaulds 28s 4½d+1s.
Crown Mines 16¼+⅞.
Palmietkuil 10s 10½d+1s 7½d.
De Beers Deferred 7⅞+¼.
Rhodes Anglo-American 26s 3d +1s 6d.
British Borneo 11s+2s.
Mexican Eagles 5s+3d.
Royal Dutch 36⅞+¼.
Trinidad Leases 92s 6d+5s.

FALLS.

War Loan 3½ per cent. 98—¼.
Austrian 7 per cent. Int. Loan 44—2.
Buenos Ayres 3½ per cent. 48½—¼.
Chinese 5 per cent. 1912. 37½—¼.
German 7 per cent. 44½—1.
Crompton Parkinson 22s 10½d—1s 3d.
Bowaters Paper Mills 11s—1s.
Seager Evans 27s 6d—7s 6d.
Brazilian Traction 9⅜—⅞.
Simmer & Jack 18s 9d—6d.
United Sua Betongs 49s 4½d—4s 4½d.

FIXED TRUST CHANGES.

Commercial 17s 3d bid.
First British 39s 6d—40s 6d.
Second Protected 14s 1½d—15s 1½d.
Gilt-edged 16s 3d—16s 9d.
Investors Gold 17s 9d—18s 9d.
Keystone Second 11s 3d bid.
Trans Atlantic Trust (United States series) 17s 3d—18s 3d.
Proved Securities Ltd.:—
Bank Insurance and Financial Shares Trust 14s—15s 3d.
Bank Insurance and Financial Shares Trust (second series) 13s 3d—14s 3d.
British Bank Shares Trust 19s 3d—20s 3d ex div.
British Insurance Shares Trust 15s 6d—16s 6d.
Four Square Trust 19s—20s.

DIVIDENDS AND REPORTS.

Frederick Hotels, Ltd.—Dividend 2½ per cent., actual, less tax at 5s 6d on the 5½ per cent. Cumulative Preference, bringing the payment of the Preference dividend up to June 30, 1935. Net profits for the year, £23,582 (last year £39,452).

M. Cook and Son—Half-yearly dividend on 5½ per cent. Cumulative Preference shares.

Waterworth Brothers—Half-yearly dividend on 6 per cent. Cumulative Preference shares.

Wardle and Davenport—Dividend on 5½ per cent. Preference shares for year 1938.

R. E. Jones—Dividend of 5 per cent. for year.

Butterley Co.—Interim dividend of 1¼ per cent. tax free.

United Match Industries—Net profit £15,130 against £13,111—dividends again include 50 per cent. on Deferred.

Wm. Fison and Co. (Mohair and Worsted Spinners)—Debit £7,685 against credit of £9,420—debit forward £31,557.

R. E. Jones, Ltd. (Hotel Owners and Caterers)—Profit of £43,409 compared with £49,533. Dividend unchanged at 5 per cent.

Milford (Donegal) Bakery and Flour Mills—After payment of Preference dividend to August 31, 1938, and writing off a sum of £2,185 in respect of preliminary expenses, there remains a balance of £1,420 to be carried forward.

Atta Gold (1933)—Report for year ended March 31 states—As result of realisation of certain securities, accounts show profit of £12,847, which reduces amount to debit of profit and loss to £18,288.

Nasmyth Wilson and Co., Patricroft, Manchester—The directors state that, following the sale of the locomotive manufacturing portion of the company and certain investment changes, the credit balance at September 30 last is £79,937, after repaying the bank loan of £79,444, against debit £7,149 last December. The company is now engaged in general engineering work. Preference dividend in arrears since July, 1932.

North Ashanti Mining—Report for year ended July 31 shows interest and transfer, £115 (£182); profit on sale of shares, £438 (nil); general expenses, £2,170 (£3,137); directors' fees, £697 (£563). Forward, £25,397 (£22,983).

United Serdang (Sumatra) Rubber Plantations—Credit balance of £174,715, compared with £270,441 for 1936-1937. A first and final dividend of 9 per cent. is being paid, against a total distribution for the previous year of 15 per cent. Uncharged allocations of £20,000 to reserve and £25,000 to depreciation of mature areas are being made.

Westfield Paper—Dividend on 5 per cent. Cumulative Preference shares for five years to December 31, 1936.

IRISH MARKETS.

CASTLEDERG—Butter, lumps 10d to 1s, prints 1s to 1s 4d—per lb.; pork (77 carcases), standard prices; young pigs 25s to 35s each, oats 7d to 7½d per stone, turkeys 8d to 10d, geese 4d to 6d—per lb.; chickens 2s 6d to 3s 6d, hens 2s to 2s 3d, ducks 1s 6d to 2s—each; eggs, controlled prices; potatoes 3s to 3s 6d per cwt.; hay, upland 2s 6d to 2s 9d, meadow 1s 9d to 2s 3d—per cwt.; oats, straw, 1s 6d to 1s 9d—per cwt.; lime 1s 9d per cwt.

COOTEHILL—Eggs, hen 1s 9d to 1s 10d, duck 1s 4d per dozen; chickens 7d per lb., hens 1s 3d to 1s 6d, ducks 1s 8d to 2s, geese 3s 6d to 4s 6d each, turkeys 7d to 8d under 8lbs. weight, 9d cocks and hens over 10lbs. (large supply, poor demand); grass seed 21s to 24s per cwt.; potatoes 5½d to 7d per stone; turnips 10d to 1s per cwt.; meal 9d to 10d per stone; lime 4s 6d barrel; butter, country 1s to 1s 4d per lb.

DERRY.—Hay 60s to 70s per ton; straw 30s to 35s per ton; turnips 15s to 16s per ton; potatoes 8s to 9s per sack; turf 12s to 14s per load; bogwood 16s to 18s per load.

FINTONA—Pork (62 carcases), standard price, young pigs 25s to 32s each, oats 9½d per stone, turkeys 8d to 10d, geese 5d to 6d, chickens 7d to 9d—per lb.; potatoes 2s 8d to 3s 4d per cwt.

FINTOWN—Geese 4s to 4s 6d, chickens 2s to 2s 6d—each; ducks 4s to 5s per pair, turkeys 6½d to 7½d per lb.

GLENTIES—Turkeys 7d to 8d per lb., geese 4s to 5s each, chickens 3s to 4s 6d per pair, ducks 2s to 2s 6d each.

PLUMBRIDGE—Milch cows £10 to £12 10s, springing cows £12 to £14, two-year-old bullocks and heifers £10 to £12 10s, year-olds £5 to £6, dry heifers £8 10s to £9 10s, weanling calves £3 10s to £4, strong farming horses £15 to £25, old agricultural horses £9 to £12 10s.

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FRIDAY'S CLOSING PRICES

Contango Day ... Dec. 19 Jan. 9 Jan. 23
Account Day ... Dec 22 Jan. 12 Jan. 26
Bank rate, 2 per cent., June 30, 1932.

BRITISH FUNDS.

Consols 2½ p.c.	70	India 3 p.c.	75¾
Do. 4 p.c.	106⅝	Do. 3½ p.c.	89½
Conv'sion 2½ p.c.	95 11/16	Do. 4½ p.c.	111½
Do. 3 p.c.	98½	Nat. Def. 2½ p.c.	97 13/16
Do. 3½ p.c.	98⅛	Local Loans	83
Do. 4½ p.c.	102 9/16	Victory B. 4 p.c.	106⅞
Do. 5 p.c.	109 9/16	War Loan 3½ p.c.	98
Funding 4 p.c.	107¾		

ULSTER STOCKS.

N.I. 4½ p.c. Gtd. Bonds	111	Ulster L. 5 p.c.	112½
		Do. 4½ p.c.	105

HOME RAILS.

Great Western	28¼	L. & N.E. Pref.	4 7/16
L M & S	13	Do. Def.	2 7/16
Do. 4 p.c. Pref	48½	Metro. Assented	63½
Do. 4 p.c. Pref 1923	28	Southern Pref.	57¼
		Do. Def.	12¾

OVERSEAS RAILS.

Antofagasta	8½	Entre Rios	6
B.A. Gt. S'thern	12¾	Leopoldina	2
B.A. & Pacific	6	Sao Paulo	32
B.A. Western	9	United Havana	1
C'tral Argentine	10½		

FOREIGN STOCKS.

Austrian 4½ p.c.	58½	French 4 p.c.	12
Belgian 4 p.c.	92½	German 7 p.c.	44½
Brazil 4 p.c.	5½	Do. 5½ p.c.	34
Do. 5 p.c. Fund '14	13½	Japan 5 p.c. 1907	45½
China 5 p.c. '12	37½	Do. 4 p.c. 1910	35½
French 4½ p.c.	12	Peru Corp. Pref.	2½
		Tokyo 5½ p.c.	53

ART SILKS AND TEXTILES.

Bleachers	2/9	Fine Cot'n Spin.	2/3
Bradford Dyers	3/0	Linen Thread	30/0
Brit. Celanese	3/10½	Listers	3/6
Calico Printers	4/0	Pat'ns & Bald'ns	2 11/32
Coats (J. & P.)	35/1½	Wardle & D'port	16/6
Do. B Pref.	27/0	Whitworth & Mitchell	7/3
Courtaulds	28/4½		
Eng. Sew. Cot'n	1 1/16		

BANK SHARES

Australasia	7⅛	Lloyds A	57/9
Bank of M'treal	44⅜	Martin	8
Bank of New Zealand	28/6	Mid. P'tly Paid	9 13/32
Barclays B	74/0	Nat. Prov. "B"	69/3
Canadian Bank of Commerce	37⅜	Un. Bank Aus.	6
Hong Kong & Shanghai	78½	Westminster	89/9

BREWERIES.

Barclay Perkins	22/0	Meux	30/9
Bass	110/0	Mitchells & Butlers	69/0
Benskins	62/6	South Africa	103/0
Charrington	60/9	Threlfalls	58/9
Courage	66/0	Watney Def.	58/6
Distillers	90/3		
Guinness	104/6		
Ind. Coope & Allsopp	91/9		

IRON, COAL, AND STEEL.

Allied Iron ders	18/10½	Horden Cols.	23/9
Amal. Anth'cite	1/3	Lambert Bros.	30/3
B'bcock & W'cox	35/10½	Mather & Platt	2 5/16
Baldwins	6/6	Ocean Coal	2/6
B.S.A.	25/6	Platt Brothers	3/6
Bolsover Col'ery	38/3	Powell Duffryn	17/6
Brown (John)	30/6	South Durham	28/0
Cammell Laird	7/4½	Stanton Ironwks	37/6
Colvilles	20/0	Staveley	44/0
Consett Iron	8/0	Stewart & Ll. Df.	41/9
Cory (Wm.)	80/6	Swan, Hunter Df	27/3
Dorman Long	23/6	Thomas (R.)	3/1½
Duffield	10d	United Steel Co.	22/6
Firth & Brown A	66/10½	Vickers	21/9
Guest, Keen	21/3	Ward (T. W.)	22/9
Hadfields	28/3	Whitehead Iron	4 17/32
Harland & W. B Ord.	5/3	Ruston and Hornsby	20/9
H'thorne, Leslie	16/0		

MOTORS AND AIRCRAFT.

Assoc. Equipm't	31/3	Lucas (J.)	56/9
Albion Motors	2 3/16	Morris Ord.	28/7½
Austin Ord.	24/0	Napier	9/9
Blackb'n Airc'ft	23/9	Pressed Steel (5s)	14/0
Brist'l Aeropl'ne	22/3	Raleigh	38/3
De Havilland	49/6	Rolls Royce	5½
Dennis Bros.	17/0	Rover	15/6
Fairey Aviation	28/7½	Short Bros.	42/9
Ford	16/6	Singer	2/3
Hawker Sid'ley	24/0	Standard Ord.	16/10½
Imper'l Airways	27/0	Tilling (Thos.)	42/7½
Leyland	4 15/32		

INTERNATIONAL SECURITIES.

Brazil'n Tract'n	9⅜	Hydro. Electric Corp.	4⅜
C'dian Celanese	*2⅞	Int. Hold. & Inv.	1⅜
Canad'n Pacific	6 3/16	Inter. Nickel	57⅜
Celanese Corp America	5 1/16	Radio Corp. Am.	8¼
Electric & Mus. Industries	11/3	U.S. Steel Corp.	70½

NEWSPAPERS.

Allied N'papers	18/6	D'ly Mail Trust	23/9
Amal. Press	10/9	Daily Mirror	12/0
Ass'd News Def.	10/3	Sunday Pict'l	21/0

TOBACCOS.

Brit. Amer. Tob.	4 29/32	Imperial (G.B.)	6 15/32
Do. 5 p.c. Pref	24/10½	Philips Godfrey	32/6
Carreras A	8 5/16	Tob. Securities	5 5/32
Do. B	21/3	Do. Def.	1¼
Gallaher Pref.	30/3		
Do. Ord.	6⅝		

INSURANCE.

Alliance New	25½	Northern (£1 pd)	19
Com. U.	9⅜	Pearl	18 11/16
Eagle Star (10s paid)	73/0	Phoenix (£1 pd)	14
Empl. Liab. (5s paid)	63/6	Prudential A	34⅜
Gen. Accident (5s paid)	4⅝	Do. B (4s pd)	92/0
Guard'n (10s pd)	13¾	Royal Exchange	9 7/16
Legal & Gen. (£1 paid)	4¾	Royal Ins. (10s paid)	8⅛
Ld. & Lancs (£2 paid)	27¼	Scot. Un. A (£1 paid)	17⅛
Lond. Assur. (£1¼ paid)	14 15/16	Sun Ins. (5s pd)	81/3
Ldn. & Manch.	19	Sun Life	7⅝
N. British	10⅝	World Aux. (10s paid)	25/0
		Yorks (10s paid)	8½
		Caledonian Ins.	18¾

CATERING AND STORES.

A.B.C.	17/3	Lyons	5¼
Army & Navy	23/0	Maple	1 3/16
Barkers	2 21/32	Marks & Spencer	58/6
British Home Stores	7/3	Maypole Def.	2/7½
Burton (M.)	10/4½	Savoy Hotel	2 1/32
Debenhams	2/6	Selfridge Pref.	1 3/32
Gamage	17/10½	Spiers & Pond	4/9
Gt. Univ. Stores	26/6	Stewart's Cash Stores	16/7½
Harrods	2 15/16	Swan & Edgar	20/7½
Home & Colonial	3/0	Swears & Wells	13/10½
Internat'nal Tea	11/0	United Dairies	62/6
Lewis's	61/3	Whiteleys	1 5/32

ELECTRICAL AND SUPPLY.

Assoc. Electric	38/9	Ever-Ready	20/7½
Br. Insulated	82/6	General Electric	76/9
Callenders	77/0	Henleys W.T. (5s)	18/7½
Crompt'n Pk'son	22/10½	J'hnson Phillips	36/0
City of London	32/0	Metro. Electric	47/6
Clyde Valley	35/6	Midland C'nties	35/3
Co. of London	44/6	Nor'-East Elect.	29/6
Edmundsons	25/6	N. Metro. Elect.	44/6
Enfield Cable	51/6	Palestine	30/0
English Electric	32/10½	Siemens	22/0
Ericsson (5s)	39/0	Victoria Falls	68/9

SHIPPING.

Cairn	3/1½	Furness Withy	16/10½
Clan 5½ p.c. 1st A Pref.	21/10½	King	15/6
Coast 5 p.c. Pref.	15/0	Lamport & Holt 5 p.c. Deb.	46½
Court	11/10½	R.M. Realisation	4/1½
Cunard	2/3	Tankers	5/3
E.D. Realisation	3/6	Union-Castle 5 p.c. A Pref.	21/6
Elder Dempster Lines Holdings	22/4½	Do. Ord	14/4½
France (Wm.)	19/3		

MISCELLANEOUS SHARES.

Amal. Metals	22/9	London Brick	2 5/16
A.B. Pictures	12/6	Lond. & Tn Hvn.	⅝
Assoc. Cement	3⅜	Low Temp'tures	2/0
Barry & Staines	35/6	Manbrea Gart'n Ord	54/3
Bean Industries	17/6	Do. Def (2s)	19/9
Beechams Def. (2s 6d)	7/9	Metal Box	75/3
Boots Ord.	38/10½	Metal Industries	20/0
Borax	27/0	Millar's Timber	3/1½
Bovril	19/9	Moss Empires	22/4½
Brit. Alum'n	54/1½	Murex	3 13/16
Brit. Match	33/6	Nat. Canning	15/6
Brit. Oil & Cake	2 1/32	O.K. Bazaars	1⅜
Brit. Oxygen	3 17/32	Phillips Rubber Soles	20/6
British Plaster Board	27/4½	Pinchin Johns'n	22/10½
British Portland Cement	3 15/32	Prices Trust	1 25/32
British Ropes	7/7½	Radiation	53/3
Cable & W. Pref.	78½	Ranks	16/10½
Do. Ord.	35¼	Reed (Austin)	36/4½
Cerebos	6 15/32	Robinson & Cleaver Ord.	26/9
E. K. Cole	6/1½	Do. Pref.	20/7½
Colman (J. J.)	3 25/32	Sangers	22/0
Crittall	11/9	Sears	9/6
Crosse & B'kwell	8d	Schweppes	39/0
Decca Records	9d	Scribbans	4/10½
Do. Pref.	6/9	S. Smith Def.	8/3
Dunlop	23/0	Smith Chips	25/6
Eastwoods	31/0	Spillers	57/3
Eno Props.	18/0	Soudan Plant'ns	30/0
Finlay (Jas.)	2 13/32	S.K.F.	14⅜
Fisher & Ludlow	21/-	Swedish Match B	27/10½
Forestal Lands	18/9	Tate & Lyle	54/6
Foster Clark	28/9	Tecalemit	13/0
Gas, Light & Coke (£1)	23/1½	Timothy White & Taylors (5s)	73/3
Gaumont Brit. (10s)	4/0	Triplex Glass	31/0
Gen. Refract.	11/0	Trojan Holdings	6/3
Gestetner	25/4½	Tube Investm'nt	83/3
Hovis	4 27/32	Tunnel P.C.	1⅛
Hudson's Bay	22/9	Turner & Newall	77/10½
Imp. Chemical	30/1½	United Molasses	21/3
Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	31/3	Vine Products	14/10½
Imp. Con. Gas	110½	Wallpaper Def.	32/6
Internat'l Paint	3 13/16	White, Tomkins & Courage	35/6
Lever-Unilev'r	36/0	Woolworth	57/9
Lever-Unil. N.V.	39/0		
Lever 20 p.c. Pf.	18/6		
Do. 7 p.c. Pref	28/10½		

SOUTH AFRICAN MINES.

Africa & Eur.	1¼	Mod. B (5s)	16/0
Anglo-Am. (10s)	2 19/32	Mod. East	4¾
Anglo-French	1 7/32	N. Cent Wits.	4/4½
Brakpan (5s)	2 21/32	N. Jagers	1 1/16
Cam & M. (12s 6d)	2 19/32	N. Kleinfontein	2 13/16
Cent. Min'g (£8)	19¼	N. State Area	2¾
Chartered (15s)	27/0	Nigel (10s)	63/1½
City Deep	1 27/32	Nourse Mines	2 9/32
Con. Gold S.A.	3 9/32	Palmiet (10s)	10/10½
Con. Main Reef	3⅞	Randfontein	2 1/16
Crown (10s)	16¼	R. Leases (10s)	45/3
Daggafon. (5s)	2 5/32	Rand Mines (5s)	8 7/16
De Beers Pref. (£2½)	10⅞	Rand Sel. (5s)	1 13/32
Do. Def. (£2½)	7¾	Rietfontein (10s)	2/9
Durb. Dp (10s)	3⅛	Rob. B (7s 6d)	3 11/16
E. Dagga (10s)	1 5/32	Rose Deep	44/9
E. Geduld	11½	Simmer & Jack (2s 6d)	18/9
East Rand Con. (5s)	5/1½	S.A. Lands (3s 6d)	3 15/16
East Rand Prop. (10s)	2 11/16	S.A. Town (10s)	9/6
Geduld Prop.	9½	Spaarwater (5s)	6/0
Geldenhuis Deep	27/6	Springs (5s)	1 9/16
General Mining	4 9/16	Sub Nigel (10s)	11⅞
Globe & Ph. (5s)	27/6	Union Cp. (12s 6d)	8⅛
G.F. Rho (10s)	8/3	Van Dyk (10s)	1 13/32
Gov. Areas (5s)	1 19/32	Van Ryn Deep	1 9/16
Grootvlei	4 13/16	Venters (10s)	1 11/16
H.E. Prop. (10s)	25/0	Vlakfont'n (10s)	1 7/16
Johnnies	2 13/32	Vogels (10s)	1 5/32
Lace Prop. (5s)	1⅛	W. Rand (10s)	1 29/32
Langlaagte	13/6	West Reef (5s)	1 13/32
Libanon (10s)	25/32	West Springs	2⅝
L. & Rho. (5s 9d)	4/6	W. Wits (10s)	6⅜
Luipaard (2s)	21/0	W. Nigel (5s)	2/0
Marievale (10s)	18/6	Rezende	7/16
Mod. New (10s)	1 9/32	Cons. S.W.A. Diamonds	6/0

WEST AFRICAN MINES.

Akim (2s 6d)	3/10½	G.C. Select. (5s)	23/3
Amal. Bkt. (5s)	10/1½	Konongo (2s)	3/6
Ariston (2s 6d)	9/10½	Kwahu (2s)	1⅜
Ashanti G.F. (4s)	4 3/32	Lyndhurst (1s)	1/6
Atta (2s)	7½d	Marlu (5s)	12/10½
Bibiani (4s)	27/0	Nigerian (2s)	2/0
Fanti Cons. (8s)	8/6	Offin River (5s)	2/3
G.C. Bank (2s)	3/3	S. Banket (2s)	1/2
G.C. Main (5s)	7/4½	Taqh. & Ab. (4s)	1⅝

AUSTRALASIAN MINES.

Anglo-Aus. (5s)	1/1½	L. View & S. (4s)	19/0
Brk. Hill Prop.	2 5/16	N.K.U. (5s)	7½d
B.H. North	1⅞	Sons Gwal. (10s)	1⅞
B.H. New (5s) (3s 9d paid)	12/1½	S. Kalgurli (5s)	¾
B.H. South	1⅛	S. Cross (5s)	1½d
Com'wealth (5s)	1/6	Sulphide (15s)	5/3
Gt. B.M. & F. (5s)	9d	Do. Pref.	11/16
G.B. Props (2s)	7/6	Youanmi (2s)	1/4½
Gold Ex. (10s)	3/3	Do. Pref. (10s)	6/3
G.F. Aust. (5s)	5/4½	Wiluna	12/9
G.M. Kal. (10s)	7/9	Zinc (10s)	3 11/16
		Do. Pref	6

COPPER AND TIN MINES.

Ampat (4s)	3/9	Petaling ($1)	25/32
Anaconda ($50)	7½	Rawang Con.	20/9
Anglo-Cont. (10s)	2/0	Renong Tin	30/0
Ar'myo Sw.	1½	Rhodes'n Brok'n Hill (5s)	5/4½
Assoc. Tin (5s)	5/9	Rhodes'n Anglo-Amer. (10s)	26/3
Ayer H. (5s)	22/9	Rhodesian Selection (5s)	16/9
Bangrin Tin	1 1/32	Rhokana	11⅞
B.T.I. (10s)	13/0	Rio Tinto (£5)	14⅛
Cons. Burma	9/6	Roan Ant. (5s)	16/9
Geev'r Tin (5s)	13/9	Selection Tt. (5s)	20/3
Gopeng Tin	9/0	Siamese (5s)	1 1/16
H. Kong (5s)	15/16	S. Crofty (5s)	9/0
Ipoh Tin (16s)	1⅛	S. Kinta (5s)	11/0
Kamunting (5s)	9/0	Southern Malay	1 1/16
Kramat Pul (5s)	12/0	Tanganyika	5/6
Lond. Tin (4s)	3/4½	Tavoy Tin (4s)	2/0
Malayan (5s)	1 19/32	Tekka-Taip	11/6
Mawchi (4s)	31/6	Tronoh (5s)	20/0
Messina (5s)	15/3	Zambesia	6/3
Mount Lyell	20/6		
Pahang (5s)	12/6		
Patani (5s)	2/6		

MISCELLANEOUS MINES.

Burma (Rs9)	8/7½	Mex. Corp. (10s)	3/0
Camp Bird (10s)	3/7½	Mg. of Can. (np.)	8/0
Cham. Rf. (10s)	46/9	Mysore (10s)	27/3
Chosen Corp.	⅝	N.G. Venez. (5s)	2/6
E. Af. Gld. (5s)	½d	Nundy. (10s)	2
El Oro (5s)	1/0	Ooreg'm (10s)	13/32
Exploration (10s)	2/0	Rosterman (5s)	2/4½
Fresnillo (np.)	5/4½	San Frisco (10s)	3/3
Kentan (10s)	3/3	Selukwe (2s 6d)	4/0
Ken. Cons (2s 6d)	2½	Trepca (5s)	9/1½
Marsman (10s)	15/6	Watende (5s)	2d

(Denominations £1 unless otherwise stated.)

OIL.

Anglo-Egypt B.	46/10½	Royal Dutch	36¾
Anglo-Iranian	4 7/16	Shell	4 1/16
Do. 8 p.c. Pref	33/7½	Do. 7 p.c. Pref	30/10½
Apex Trinidad	27/3	Trin. Leaseholds	4⅝
Brit. Con. Com.	1/10½	Unit. Brit. Trin.	12/3
Do. 7 p.c. Pref	5/0	V.O.C. Com.	1 1/16
Canadian Eagle	8/10½	Burmah	4 5/32
Mexican Eagle	5/0	Kern River	4/4½
Phoenix	4/7½	Lobitos	1 15/32

RUBBERS.

Allagar (2s)	10½d	Jong-Landor	20/3
Allied Sumatra	14/0	Jugra	8/3
Anglo-Dutch	25/3	Kawie (Java) (2s)	2/3
Anglo-Java	8d	Kepong (2s)	2/7½
Anglo-Malay	8/3	K.M.S.	20/1½
Anglo-Sumatra	26/6	Kuala Lumpur	1 3/32
Ayer Kuning	24/6	Kuala Muda	9/16
Bah Lias	1 11/32	Labu (F.M.S.)	1 15/16
Bahru Selangor (2s)	1/6	Laras (2s)	9d
Batoe Kidoel	1 3/32	Linggi	14/3
Batu Tiga	1 5/16	London Asiatic (2s)	3/4½
Beaufort Borneo	8/0	Lumut	15/16
Bertam Con. (2s)	2/7½	Malacca Ord.	20/0
Bidor	25/7½	Malaya General	32/6
Bukit Cloh. (2s)	1/8	Malayalam	28/3
Bukit Lintang	22/6	Meriimau Pegoh (2s)	2/4½
Bukit Mertajam (2s)	1/9	Perak	1/6
Bukit Panjong (2s)	1/0	Port Dickson (2s)	1/4½
Bukit Rajah	9/16	Rembau Jelei	16/3
Castlefield (2s)	2/0	Rim (2s)	1/3
Cent. Perak (2s)	1/9	Rubber Trust	27/3
Chembong (2s)	6d	Sarawak (2s)	1/1½
Chersonese (2s)	1/6	Seafield	1 3/16
Cheviot (2s)	3/4½	Seaport	10/0
Cicely (2s)	2/9	Selang'r Rubber (2s)	1/3
Djasinga	11/16	Selang'r Utd. (2s)	1/7½
Dalkeith (2s)	1/1½	Sialang	15/16
East Asiatic (2s)	2/0	S'apore Para (1s)	7½d
East'n Sumatra (2s)	1/9	S'apore Utd (2s)	7½d
Emerald	18/0	Simo (2s)	2/9
Gadjah (2s)	1/11	Sittang Val. (2s)	1/3
Golden Hope	23/32	Straits	1 1/16
Grand Central	⅝	Strathmore (2s)	1 1/32
Gula Kal'mpong	1 1/32	Tali Ayer	⅝
Harrison & Crosfield	4 3/16	Tandjong	15/16
Henrietta (2s)	2/0	Tandjong Malim	13/16
Java Amal	11/16	United Patani	17/6
Java United	13/9	Utd. Serdang (2s)	2/10½
High. & Low.	1⅛	Utd. Sua Betong	2 15/32
		Vallambrosa (2s)	6/0
		Spot	8½d

RUBBERS (SUPPLEMENTARY).

Banteng	13/0	Kambok (2s)	6d
Bantam Java (2s)	1/10½	Lambak	16/10½
Bekoh (2s)	10½d	Ledang Bahru	16/6
Chimpul (2s)	8d	Lower Perak (2s)	9d
Con. Malay (2s)	2/9	Rani Trav'ncore	11/3
Dangan (2s)	9d	Scot. Malayan	14/3
Diapoera (1s)	8d	Sembilan	22/6
East Java	16/7½	Sungei Buaya	11/16
F.M.S. Rubber	21/3	Sungei Siput	2/6
Gadek	20/0	Telogoredjo	16/3
Kali Java (2s)	7½d	Waterfall (2s)	4d
Kalidjeroek	1/3	Yam Seng (2s)	1/9

TEA.

Amal. Tea Est.	15/3	Emp. of Ind.	1 5/32
Assam	16/9	Imperial	1 1/32
Brit. Indian	2 1/32	Jhanzie	1 1/32
Ceylon Plan'ts	1⅜	Jokai	30/0
Chargola	4/9	Jorehaut	33/0
Chubwa	41/6	Lebong	23/0
Cons Tea & L'nd	1 9/16	Lunuva	26/6
Darjeelg. Co.	1 1/32	Nedeem	21/10½
Darjeelg. Cons.	1 1/16	N. Dimbula	47/6
Dooard Ord.	1 27/32	Nuw. Eliya	38/0
Doom Dooma	2	Ouvah	21/0
East Assam	36/6	Pabbojan	44/0
Eastern Produce	36/9	Singlo Ord.	1 9/16

*Ex dividend.

PRICES OF RECENT ISSUES.

Issue price.		Quotation.
£99	City of Pretoria 3½ p.c. 1953-58 (£29 paid)	3–2½ dis
20/-	Scottish Power 4 p.c. Cum. Pref. £1 (fully pd.)	20/3–21/3
£98½	London Power (new) 3½ p.c. Deb. Stock	2–1½ dis
£100	United Steel 4½ p.c. Notes (£50 paid)	1¼–1¾ pm
£99	Hawker-Siddeley Aircraft Co., Ltd., 4 p.c. 1st Deb. Stock 1946 (£30 paid)	1½–1 dis
21/-	British Power & Light Corporation Ltd. 4½ p.c. Cum. Pref. £1 shares (11/- paid)	par–3d pm
20/-	North Metropolitan Electric Power Supply Co. 4 p.c. Cum. Pref. £1 stock (10/- paid)	2d dis–par
43/6	County of London Electric Supply Co., Ltd. (9s 6d) paid	1½d–4½d pm
£100	Government of the Commonwealth of Australia 4 p.c. 1955-70 (£10 pd)	3¼–2¾ dis
20/-	Scottish Stamping and Engineering Co. Ltd. 6 p.c. Cum Pref. £1 (fully paid)	16/9–17/9
2/-	Do. 2/- Ord. (fully pd.)	2/0–2/6

NEW ISSUE PRICES.

Inter. Hold. and Inv. (new) 6¼.
United Steel (new) 7s 6d.
Attock Oil (new) 35s.
Newman Ind. (new) 3s 1½d.

BULLION AND SPECIE.

Returns published in the "London Gazette" on Friday night show that the amount of gold imported into the United Kingdom between midday, December 12, 1938, and midday, December 15, was £569,261, as against exports during the same period of £1,467,531.

Silver imports totalled £16,991, as against exports of £50,552, of which £30,643 went to the United States.

The chief gold importations were from British West Africa (£259,566) Switzerland (£200,545) and France (£120,824).

IRISH FAIRS.

COOTEHILL.—Springers cows £16 to £22; best springers, heifers £14 to £19; calves £1 15s to £6 5s, one-year-olds £7 to £8, 1½ to 2-year-olds £7 to £9 10s; roan heifers £9 10s to £11 15s, 2 to 2½-year-olds £11 10s to £13, 3-year-olds £12 10s to £14 10s; strippers £6 10s to £9 10s; aged springers £11 to £14; store bulls £11 to £13; beef cows 21s to 23s per cwt. (live weight); fat bulls £12 to £14; pigs, suckers 25s to 30s, strong suckers 30s to 37s 6d, brood sows £5 to £6 10s, fat sows £6 to £6 5s, strong stores 40s to 50s each.

LIVERPOOL SUGAR FUTURES.

Sugar futures had a quiet session with prices unchanged to ½d lower. December 6s 0½d buyers, 6s 3d sellers; March 6s 1s buyers, 6s 1½d sellers; May 6s 1½d buyers, 6s 1¼d sellers; August 6s 1½d buyers, 6s 1¾d sellers; December 6s 1½d buyers, 6s 1¾d sellers.

TEXTILE REPORTS.

LIVERPOOL COTTON, 12-30 p.m.—Moderate spot turnover; good sales in Brazilians and Africans. Quotations reduced 7 points. Middling 5.9d. Imports 9,709 bales. American futures opened steady, 5 to 6 points down. Lower Overseas; Indian hedging met by local and American buying; recovered slightly on trade calling. Business, however, very small. The market closed quiet and steady, 3 points down. January 4.72d. March 4.71d.

MANCHESTER COTTON — Conditions of the market during the week were generally unchanged. Buyers have lacked enterprise, operations being confined to small lots. Regular cloth buying in light whites and fancies for India; bleaching styles for Egypt and finishing qualities for Continent. Home trade clearances fairly encouraging. Some Government contracts placed. Yarns sluggish.

MARKETHILL ENTERTAINMENT.

To provide funds to give the children of Markethill a Christmas treat, a variety entertainment was given in the Hall, Markethill, on Thursday evening, when Bessbrook Scouts, under the direction of Mrs. Magowan, who was also accompanist, contributed an enjoyable programme. Mr. Robinson (Markethill) presided.

BELFAST EXCHANGE.

THE WEEKLY SURVEY.

VERY IDLE CONDITIONS.

PRICE CHANGES SLIGHT.

During the past week the news has contained several points of a bullish nature, including better Board of Trade figures for November, and more confident markets in America. On the whole the European political situation appears a little better, but nevertheless business in the Stock Exchange continued very idle. Prices of Dollar shares and English Rails were firmer. Elsewhere there were few changes of importance.

British Government securities closed fractionally lower on the week. War Loan commenced at 98⅛-98¼, and subsequently changed hands at 98 3-16, 5-16, ⅜, ⅛, ¼, 98, ⅛, 97⅞, 98, 97 15-16, 98 1-16, ⅛, ¼, 3-16, 5-16, closing 98 1-16—3-16. 2½ per cent. Consols marked 70⅛, 70¼, and 70⅜. Guaranteed 2¾ per cent. Land 1891 stock was dealt in at 93 and 2¾ per cent. 1903 stock at 80. Ulster 5 per cent. 1950-60 fetched 112⅛.

Bank shares were on the dull side, and transactions were few and far between. Northern Bank "A" continued in demand at 88s 9d without finding sellers. "B" shares are inquired for at 42s and offered at 45s. Midland Bank Partly-Paid brought 9 9-16 and Westminster Bank Parts 89s 7½d.

Apart from several transactions in Belfast Harbour Commissioners 3½ per cent. 1961-68 stock at 96, there was no business recorded in Local Boards. Belfast Corporation 3½ per cent. 1973 stock is bid for at 99. Some Water 5 per cent. 1946-61 stock is in market at 107½.

Local Rails were neglected. Belfast and County Down Railway Ordinary is wanted at 2 with sellers holding for 5. Great Northern Ordinary is in demand at 4 and 4 per cent. Debenture at 46½. Clogher Valley Railway fetched 7½.

Spinning and Textile shares were quiet. Belfast Ropework Ordinary repeated 16s 1½d; Preference are still wanted at 11. British Celanese Ordinary were done at 3s 3½d and J. & P. Coats at 35s 4½d and 35s. Linen Thread Ordinary brought 29s 9d and York Street 6 per cent. Preference repeated 12s. Richardson, Sons, & Owden Ordinary are asked for at 8s and Preference at 31s 6d. York Street Ordinary are bid for at 5s with sellers at 7s 6d. Preference were in demand at 12s and offered at 13s 6d.

In the Tobacco group the passing of the 1½ per cent. bonus by the British-American Tobacco Co. brought the price back to 97s 6d after business had been recorded at 98s, 97s 6d, 99s 1½d, 99s 4½d, 98s, and 98s 4½d. Imperials were on the dull side, being marked at 129s, 131s 3d, and 129s 10½d. Gallahers were maintained at 128s 1½d.

In the Bakery share market, Bernard Hughes Ordinary were in demand at 34s 3d, and Inglis Ordinary at 72s 6d, with buyers of the latter at 75s. Inglis Debentures are also wanted at 115s 9d.

There was no activity in the Brewery market, and the only business marked was in Guinness at 102s 6d and Barnsley Brewery at 26 13-16.

Drapery and Furnishing shares were very idle. John Arnott Debentures fetched 86 and closed with buyers bidding 85 and no further sellers. Ordinary are asked for at 50s and offered at 55s. There are sellers of Robertson Ledlie Ferguson Ordy at 17s and Pref. at 22s 6d.

Iron and Steel counters were lower on the week. United Steels New were freely dealt in at 1s 7½d, 1s 6½d, 2s, and 2s 0½d premium. John Browns marked 30s 7½d, Stewart & Lloyds Deferred 42s, and Wm. Corys 81s 4½d.

Oil shares were neglected. Anglo-Iranians were done at 90s 6d and Shell Transports at 80s 3½d early in the week.

In Miscellaneous Industrials transactions were few and far between. Employers Liability changed hands at 62s 6d. Lever Bros. and Unilever Ordy. at 36s 1½d. Dunlop Rubbers at 23s 1½d, Tate & Lyles New Ordy. at 55s 3d, and small lot of M'Caw Stevenson & Orr Preference at 12s 9d. Crittalls Manufacturing brought 12s 6d, Woolworth Ordinary 57s 9d, Pref. 30s, International Nickels 57 9-16, and Chryslers 89¾.

Local Stocks.	Shares	Paid up	Price	Dividends per ann.	Yield per cent.
Ulster 3½%	100	100	101⅞	3½	3 8 9
Do. 4½%	100	100	105	4½	4 5 9
Do. 5%	100	100	112¼	5	4 9 1
Guaranteed 4 %	100	100	110¾	4½	4 1 3
Northern Bank A	10	2	90/0	10½	4 13 4
Do. B	10	2	42/0	5¼	5 0 0
National	5	1	52/6	12	4 11 5
Provincial Bank	8	1	53/0	12½	4 14 4
Midland Bank	12	2½	9 7/16	16	4 4 9
Do.	2½	2½	10⅝	16	3 17 0
Westminster Bank	4	1	89/9	20	4 9 2
Gt. Northern Rly.	100	100	4	—	—
Do. 4% Deb.	100	100	46½	4	8 12 0
Do. 4% Pref.	100	100	6	—	—
B. & C. D. Rly	100	100	1¼	—	—
Do. 4% Deb.	100	100	39 9/16	4	10 2 1
Do. 3% Deb.	100	100	38 15/16	3	7 14 1
LMS	100	100	13	1½	11 10 10
Great Western	100	100	28¼	3½	12 7 10
Belfast Corp.					
Do. 1940	100	100	*98½	3½	3 11 1
Do. 1942	100	100	*100⅜	3½	3 9 9
Do. 1945	100	100	*107⅝	5	4 12 9
Do. 1945/56	100	100	*108 1/16	5	4 12 6
Do. 1955	100	100	92⅛	3	3 4 7
Do. 1951	100	100	105	4½	4 5 9
Do. 1973	100	100	100	3½	3 10 0
Do. 1957	100	100	96 3/16	3¼	3 7 1
Belfast Corp. Mort.					
Do. 1945	100	100	*94½	3	3 3 9
Do. 1950	100	100	96⅜	3¼	3 7 5
Do. 1943/48/53	100	100	99¼	3½	3 10 6
Do. 1941	100	100	105½	6½	6 3 3
Do. 1940	100	100	100	5	5 0 0
Do. 1940	100	100	98⅜	4½	4 11 6
Do. 1945	100	100	*104 5/16	4½	4 6 4
Do. 1950	100	100	*106 1/16	4½	4 4 11
Harbour, 1953/51	100	100	96 11/16	3½	3 12 5
Do. 1961/63	100	100	96	3½	3 12 11
Do. 1972/81	100	100	96	3½	3 12 11
Water.					
Do. 5% 1946/61	100	100	107½	5	4 13 0
Do. 5% 1950/60	100	100	111	5	4 10 1
Do. 3% 1963	100	100	96	3½	3 12 11
Do. 3% 1953/58	100	100	92¼	3	3 5 0
Do. 3 % 1953/63	100	100	100	3½	3 10 0
N.I. Electric Gtd. 1955/60	100	100	*91⅞	3	3 5 3
Belfast Rope Ord.	Stk	£1	16/1½	4	4 19 3
Do. Pref.	10	10	11	5	4 10 11
J. & P. Coats	Stk	£1	35/3	10	5 13 6
Linen Thread Ord.	Stk	£1	30/0	8½	5 13 4
Do. Pref. Ord.	Stk	£1	23/4½	6	5 2 8
Do. Pref	Stk	£1	22/0	5	4 10 11
Old Bleach 6% Pref	£1	£1	7/0	6	
Richardson Sons & Owden, Ord	5	5	8/0	—	—
5% Pref.	5	5	30/0	—	—
York Street Ord.	Stk	£1	5/0	—	—
Do. 6% Pref	Stk	£1	12/0	6	10 0 0
Do. 4 % Deb.	100	100	*82⅝	4½	5 9 3
B. Hughes Ord.	1	1	*34/3	10	5 16 9
Do. Pref.	1	1	*24/6	6	4 18 0
Do. Deb.	10	10	*11¼	5	4 6 11
Inglis Ord	1	1	*75/0	17½	4 13 4
Do. Pref.	1	1	*27/0	6	4 8 11
Do. Deb.	5	5	115/9	5	4 6 5
Distillers	1	1	30/3	22½	4 19 9
Guinness	1	1	102/0	29	5 13 9
Arnott Ord	5	5	65/0	4	7 5 6
Do. Deb.	100	100	86	4½	5 4 8
Goorwitch, Ltd. Ord	5/-	5/-	5/0	—	—
Do. Pref.	1	1	17/6	6	6 17 2
Robertson, Ledlie Ord.	1	1	17/0	6	7 1 2
Do. Pref.	1	1	22/6	6	5 6 8
R. Cleaver Pref.	1	1	21/1½	6	4 14 8
Do. Deb.	100	100	98¼	4	4 1 5
R. Watson Ord.	10	10	*10 5/16	10	9 14 0
Do. Pref.	1	1	17/3	5	5 15 11
Young & Anderson Pref.	1	1	1/9	—	—
Fairbairn Ord.	1	1	9d	—	—
Harland & W. "B" Ord.	Stk		5/6	—	—
B. A. Tobacco	Stk	£1	98/1½	120	4 1 6
Do. 6% Pref.	Stk	£1	29/6	6	4 1 4
Gallahers Ordy.	1	1	127/6	27½	4 6 3
Do. Pref.	1	1	30/0	6½	4 6 8
Imperial Tobacco	Stk	£1	129/4½	25	3 17 3
Leahy Kelly Ord.	5	5	11½	13½	5 17 5
Sawers Ord.	1	1	21/0	6	5 14 3
Do. Pref.	1	1	19/7½	5	5 1 10
W.M. Cuthbert Ord	5/-	5/-	38/0	40	5 5 3
Do. Pref.	1	1	27/0	6	4 8 11
Dunlops	Stk	£1	23/0	9	7 16 6
Forster Green	5	5	5	6	6 0 0
Lever Bros. 7% Pf.	Stk	£1	29/0	7	4 16 7
Do. 8% Pf.	Stk	£1	30/3	8	5 5 10
Martin Estates	10	10	9⅜	4	4 5 4
M'Caw Pref.	1	1	13/1½	5	7 12 4
Do. Deb.	100	100	88⅜	4½	5 1 10
Vulcanite Ord.	5/-	5/-	*16/6	40	12 2 6
Wardens Ord.	5	5			
Do. Pref	5	5	*3 13/16	5	6 11 2
White Tomkins Ord.	1	1	35/6	10	5 12 8
Do Pref	1	1	22/3	5	4 9 11
N. I. T'port 4% A	100	100	101	4	3 19 3
Do 4% B	100	100	30	—	—

† Free of tax. * Ex dividend.

GOLD DEALINGS.

About 87 bars, of the approximate value of £262,000, were disposed of to-day at 148s 11d per fine ounce, an increase of 2½d on previous price. The quotation was based on supply and demand and included a premium of 1d over the dollar at 4.67.

COMPANY MEETING.

PARINGA MINING AND EXPLORATION.

FINAL AND INTERIM DIVIDEND ANNOUNCED.

The 29th ordinary general meeting of the Paringa Mining and Exploration Co., Ltd., was held yesterday in London.

Mr. C. S. Beale (chairman and managing director) said that the company was in a strong financial position, after the considerable expenditure, involving over £200,000 sterling, in bringing the Paringa mine to its present advanced stage of development and completing the ore reduction plant. At 31st August, 1938, the available working capital totalled £66,500 sterling or £83,125 Australian, representing about one-third of the total issued share capital of the company.

Surplus of available profits for the past year were £20,791 against £14,598 in the previous year. After deducting the maiden dividend amounting to £19,905 gross out of the total available of £41,354, there was a balance of £21,448 to go forward. These profits had been almost entirely derived from sales of ore to a neighbouring mine during the development period and the construction of their own treatment plant. The gross proceeds of gold during the year of £56,003 showed a considerable expansion on the year.

The Paringa mine was now in a most interesting stage. The development was well advanced and the mine fully equipped for present requirements. As development proceeded they were finding new lenses of high-grade ore as well as large bodies of payable lower grade ore. The lodes were showing persistence in both length and width as depth was attained. On the 640 feet level, the present lowest level being opened up, an important discovery had recently been made where they had disclosed their east branch lode to be of big width, and important developments were taking place. Driving had so far opened up good values for a length of 82 feet, the average grade being 13.02 dwts over 5 feet in width, but stripping had proved the ore to be about 12½ feet wide and there was 54 inches of ore in the footwall, assaying 34.5 dwts.

THE GREENHILL SHOOT.

The Greenhill shoot was, so far, the most important discovery in the mine, and was now proved between the No. 2 and No. 5 levels. Although 10,873 tons had been extracted from this shoot it carried at present 21,835 tons of proved ore, average grade 14.75 dwts, estimated to contain 16,103 ozs. of gold, which at the prevailing gold price represented over £144,900 gross value (Australian).

The results generally of development continued to respond favourably with runs of good grade ore in excess of the average grade of the mine. The exceptional widths of the ore channels permitted of comparatively cheap mining, and the mine was undoubtedly increasing in value every month. The future of the mine was now assured for many years ahead as a good dividend-earning proposition. The lodes were practically intact; in fact, many of those now being opened up were entirely new discoveries.

The proved ore reserves last August were estimated at 218,312 tons, average grade 6.05 dwts, which allowed a good margin of profit, and, with the partly devloped ore, totalled 258,149 tons, average 5.66 dwts. This ore reserve position was satisfactory, and they had about three years' supply ahead of the mill at the rate of 80,000 tons per annum.

The treatment plant had now been working for about six months. The mill started on 23rd May and had since treated 30,835 long tons, yielding 6,461 ozs. of fine gold, valued at £57,825 (Australian). Costs for the last two months were under 24s (Australian) or about 20s (sterling) per ton, compared with the original estimate of 30s (Australian) per ton.

The report was adopted, the dividend payments totalling 15 per cent. for the past year were approved, together with the payment of an interim dividend of 7½ per cent. on account of the year ending 31st August, 1939.

TO-DAY'S MARKETS

Belfast Report

GRAIN—Oats, new, 6s per cwt.

BUTTER—Print 1s 3d to 1s 6d, lump 1s 2d to 1s 4d; farmers' wholesale 11d to 1s 2d—per lb.

BUTTERMILK—5s per rundlet.

VEGETABLES—Table celery 18s to 36s, potherb celery 4s to 6s, parsley 3s to 6s, leeks 3s to 5s, beetroot 3s to 4s, turnips 6s to 8s—per dozen bundles; cauliflowers 2s 6d to 4s, lettuce 4d to 8d—per dozen; Brussel sprouts 1s 6d to 2s—per stone; savoys 8s to 12s, cabbage 12s to 16s—per 120; carrots 8s to 10s, parsnips 6s to 8s—per cwt.; turnips Swedes, 9d to 10d per cwt.

POTATOES—Up-to-date 2s 3d to 3s, Arran Victors, Arran Banner, Arran Consuls 2s to 3s, Kerr Pinks 2s 3d to 3s, Majestic 2s 3d to 3s—per cwt.

HAY—Upland new unseeded 2s 8d to 3s 6d, upland old unseeded 3s 3d to 4s, meadow 2s to 2s 6d, timothy 2s 3d to 3s, straw, oat, 2s—per cwt.

FRUIT—Apples, extra fancy 20s to 25s, fancy 14s to 18s, ungraded 8s to 12s—per barrel.

HOLLY—Large motor load 55s, small 45s, cart load 20s.

MISTLETOE—8s per half crate.

CLYDE CRUSHED SUGAR (Official Report)—Market quiet but steady at recent values.

GRIMSBY FISH—Fair supply and demand. Soles 1s 7d, turbot 1s 3d, brill 1s—per lb.; best plaice 9s to 11s, lemon soles 21s, whitings 4s, cod 4s, codling 3s, skate 9s, hake 15s, small haddocks 4s, medium 5s, gibbed 5s 6d, large dabs 11s, small 5s, dogfish 4s, ling 4s—per stone.

LONDON HAY AND STRAW—The market remained quiet with fair supplies available. Best meadow hay 92s 6d to 102s 6d, medium 82s 6d to 87s 6d, mixture and sainfoin 11s 6d to 117s 6d, best clover 110s to 120s, trussed wheaten straw 63s to 67s 6d, barley and oaten ditto 70s to 75s—all per ton delivered.

LIVERPOOL BUTTER—The market rules quiet for Colonial makes, though sellers are steadily holding for late prices. New Zealand finest 111s to 114s, Australian 110s to 113s. There is general firmness for Continentals—Danish is dearer at 145s to 148s, Swedish remaining at 132s to 135s and Dutch 122s to 125s per cwt.

LIVERPOOL PRODUCE (First Report)—Cane sugar steady. Cocoa—West African spot dull and idle: forward shipments barely steady, sellers G.F. Accra for shipment to the Continent at 20s 9d December-February also January-March, 21s March-April with buyers 3d to 6d less c.i.f. per 50 kilos. Coffee—Quiet trade passing at firm prices. Rice dull and idle. Linseed quietly steady, sellers River Plate £11 per ton December shipments. Palm oil dull and inactive. Tallow fully steady and quiet. Palm kernels quietly steady, sellers December and January £8 16s 3d. Rubber—Hard fine Para spot and forward steady, 7½d to 7¼d. Linseed oil quietly steady. Resin quiet and steady. Petroleum oil steady. Turpentine quiet. Ground nuts steady.

LIVERPOOL PROVISIONS.—Egg market—Northern Ireland selected 15s 9d, standard 17s, special 19s. Tone quiet.

CARLISLE CATTLE—There were fewer buyers present at the Sands cattle market, and trade was again slow. There were 467 licensed Irish cattle forward and 46 "free." Prices remained unchanged. Quotations—Polled bullocks for short keep £16 to £17 10s, smaller polled bullocks for wintering £14 10s to £16, polled heifers for short keep £14 10s to £15 15s, smaller polled heifers £12 to £13 10s, horned heifers for short keep £13 to £16, smaller horned heifers £12 to £13 10s.

NEWCASTLE CORN—Market firm. Foreign wheat 8s 6d to 11s 6d, English wheat 4s. Maize—American and Plate 7s 6d. Canadian oats 23s 6d per quarter f.o.r. Hull; native oats new 5s to 6s 6d. Flour 23s 6d tops plus 6s quota, wheatings 6s 3d; bran 6s 3d, broad bran 7s 9d.

THEFT CHARGES AT KILLAGAN.

At a special court at Killagan before Mr. A. M. Buller, J.P., J. Greer, of no fixed abode, was charged with the larceny of six head of fowl, the property of J. Galbraith, Cloughmills, and with the larceny of a bicycle lamp (value 2s) the property of Annie M'Nabney, Dunbought.

At the same Court, Albert A. A. Fullerton, Dunbought, was charged with the larceny of two sheets of corrugated iron (value 7s), the property of Robt. M'Nabney, Dunbought; a ten-gallon oil drum (value 5s), the property of John O'Hara, Killyree, Clough, and with unlawfully receiving six head of fowl, the property of John Faulkner, Carnbeg, Clough, knowing them to have been stolen.

His Worship remanded both accused to next Killagan Petty Sessions.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

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That we are the largest buyers in Ireland can be proved by our audited figures which show that we bought nearly £100,000 of of Gold in Belfast alone.
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We plead the cause of those who are in sore need of the bare necessities of life, of destitute men, dispirited women, and needy little children.

PLEASE HELP US

to bring some measure of comfort and happiness to them this Christmas season.

Gifts will be thankfully received and acknowledged by the

REV. JOHN W. STUTT
(Superintendent),
57 GREAT GEORGE'S ST., BELFAST.

DANCING CHALLENGE.

I, Jim Tennent, challenge Mr. Percival Brown, the Official M.C. at the Duncairn Clifton Unionist Association Dance held in the Plaza on December 2nd, to dance him in the Old Waltz for the sum of £10, the loser to hand over his bet to the Lord Mayor's Coal Fund. Professional Judges to adjudicate this competition.
Jas. N. Tennent.

No. 2 DISTRICT L.O.L.

OWING to Christmas Holidays above District Lodge will meet on TUESDAY, 20th DECEMBER, 1938, at 8 o'clock, p.m.—JOHN GIBB, W.D.M.; SAM CAMPBELL, Dist. Sec. GOD SAVE THE KING

NOTICE.

BELFAST HARBOUR COMMISSIONERS.

LIST OF ELECTORS

I HEREBY GIVE NOTICE that, in pursuance of the provisions of the Belfast Harbour Act, 1883, the Belfast Harbour Commissioners have caused to be made a List of the Electors qualified to Vote at the next ensuing Election of Commissioners; and that they have, in further pursuance of the said Act, caused a copy of that List to be affixed in the Public Hall of the Harbour Office.

And I hereby give further Notice, that all persons who are not on the said List of Electors, and who desire to have their names inserted therein; and all persons who, being on the said List, desire to make a new claim as to their qualification or as to their number of Votes, are required to deliver or send to me, on or before the 1st day of JANUARY, 1939, at the Harbour Office, a Notice of Claim in the form given in the Schedule to the said Act, or to the like effect.

M. J. WATKINS,
General Manager and Secretary,
Belfast Harbour Commissioners.
Harbour Office, Belfast.
17th December, 1938.

N.B.—Printed Forms of all Notices required by the Act may be obtained at the Harbour Office.

ST. JUDE'S P.E.S.

THE ANNUAL DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES

By the HIGH SHERIFF (Councillor COLE) WILL TAKE PLACE in the CHURCH HOUSE, RAVENHILL ROAD, on TUESDAY, 20th December, at 3 p.m. Parents of pupils are cordially invited.

CHRISTMAS APPEAL

On behalf of the U.S.P.C.A. Animals' Shelter.

MAY I MAKE MY ANNUAL CHRISTMAS APPEAL on behalf of the Waifs and Strays of the Animal World. Please help. All Donations will be gratefully received and acknowledged by me.
(Miss) M. E. M'LEAN, Honorary Superintendent, U.S.P.C.A. Animals' Shelter, Tyrone Yard, 5 Hamilton St., Belfast.

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CHRISTMAS EVE and NEW YEAR'S EVE.
Admission .... 2/6.

R.N.V.R. BOUNTY.

THE ANNUAL BOUNTY will be paid on Board H.M.S. CAROLINE on MONDAY 19th December, 1938, at 7-30 p.m., for those Ratings who entered the R.N.V.R. before 1st NOVEMBER, 1936. Ratings are to report in No. 1 Uniform. Further instructions will be issued regarding Bounty of Ratings who enrolled after 1st November, 1936.

NORTHERN BANK LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TRANSFER BOOKS (Belfast and Dublin Registers) will be CLOSED from 19th to 31st inst., both days inclusive.
HUGH MURPHY, Secretary.
17th December, 1938.

DERRIAGHY ACCORDION BAND.

RESULT OF XMAS DRAWING OF PRIZES:—597, 950, 2636, 1756, 2213, 3510, 3347, 1099, 1770, 2855, 2169, 2082, 2022, 3380, 2525, 2207, 1256, 1915, 2764, 814, 2654, 3011, 429, 2141, 1259, 1225. Prizes can be had on production of duplicates on Monday Evening, 19th Dec., 1938, at Mosside Orange Hall.

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THE PERMANENT AND RELIABLE CURE FOR SUPERFLUOUS HAIR, MOLES, &c. Miss M. D. S. JOHNSTON (late Miss Olive Bond), Specialist in Electrolysis. Recommended by the Medical Profession. Personal attention given.—4 DONEGALL SQ. N. (opp. front of City Hall). 'Phone 23749. Will be out of town December 23 to 2nd January, 1939.

CITY Y.M.C.A. FELLOWSHIP
MINOR HALL, TO-NIGHT, at 8
Lantern Lecture:
"THE BIBLE AND PROTESTANTISM."
By Mr. DOUGLAS STRANEX
(Student Durham University).

PRES. BIBLE STANDARDS LEAGUE

MEMBERS are requested to meet in the Y.W.C.A. HALL, Donegall Sq. E., on MONDAY EVENING NEXT (19th) at 8 o'clock. Business important.

The "BELFAST TELEGRAPH" can be Posted Daily to Subscribers at the following Prepaid Rates:—
3 Months 16s 3d
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BREVITIES.

At Ballymena the price of flax ranged from 8s to 11s per stone.

GIVE HER A BRACELET.—They are fashionable; 9ct. Gold from 25s upwards; others from 5s.—H. H. McNEILLY, F.G.A., Gem Specialist, 29 Donegall St., Belfast.

PHOTOGRAPH CANVASSERS.

The Proprietors of the "Belfast Telegraph" wish to inform their readers that no person has any authority from them to approach people who have been bereaved with a view to obtaining orders for copies of enlargements of photographs of deceased relatives.

WEEK-END WEATHER

TO-DAY'S weather forecast states:—

All Ireland—Wind south, moderate to strong; cloudy; occasional rain; average temperature.

Further outlook—Very cold and dry in eastern and southern districts of England; remaining mild and unsettled in extreme western districts.

Irish Sea—Wind south, moderate to strong; cloudy; occasional rain; visibility moderate to good; sea moderate.

"SHUTTING OF THE GATES."

DERRY REMEMBERS.

IMPOSING CELEBRATION.

PREACHER AND INHERITANCE.

Apprentice Boys from various centres of loyalist Ulster visited Derry City to-day, to join wholeheartedly with their Maiden City brethren in commemorating the 250th anniversary of the "Shutting of the Gates of Derry."

While this celebration never attracts the vast crowds that flock to Derry for the annual "Relief" demonstrations, nevertheless there was a splendid turnout.

A special train from Belfast brought Apprentice Boys from the Northern Capital, while other loyalists strongholds represented were Lisburn, Ballymena, Coleraine, Lurgan, Portadown, Omagh.

In the ranks, too, were members of the Order from across the Donegal border.

Orderly enthusiasm marked the anniversary, which, as is the custom, was heralded by the discharge of cannon from the historic Mall Wall at midnight.

The crimson colour of the Siege was prominently displayed. Crimson flags—the bells of which were rung, and the Memorial Hall.

A large number of candidates were initiated members of the Apprentice Boys, an interesting fact which goes to show that this institution is a very live force in the loyalist life of the Province.

Rev. J. Victor Quinn, B.A., Ballykelly, Co. Derry, was the special preacher at the service in the Cathedral, the procession to which was watched with much interest by large crowds.

BURNING OF LUNDY.

During the day hundreds of people inspected the great effigy of Lundy, which with a card bearing the inscription "Lundy the Traitor—The end of all Traitors" was suspended from the Walker's Monument. From four o'clock onwards people began to assemble in the vicinity of the monument in anticipation of the burning of the effigy, and when shortly after 4-30 p.m. the fatal match was applied by Master Bobby Finlay, son of Br. Robert Finlay, of the Baker Club, who was responsible for the creation of the effigy, the Mall Wall was a dense mass of enthusiastic humanity.

As the flames reached the rockets concealed in the effigy the noise of their discharge was drowned by the tremendous cheering of the crowd.

The Apprentice Boys, prior to attending the service in the Cathedral, assembled on the Mall Wall, where a procession was marshalled by Br. James H. Lapsley, general secretary.

The Britannia Brass and Reed Band led the procession, the route being by way of Magazine Street, Shipquay Street, Diamond (East), Bishop Street, and St. Columb's Court. The annual circuit of the City Walls was made at the conclusion of the service.

"INHERITANCE OF OUR FATHERS."

Speaking on the text, "The Lord forbid it me that I should give the inheritance of my fathers unto thee" (I. Kings xxi), the Rev. Mr. Quinn said most of them became aware of a time when they must say "No." Even in the history of individual experiences there was a place which they would protect with every power they possessed. In most lives there was a garden of sweet association, and all the "wealth of the Indies" was not sufficient to take it from their possession. He knew it was quite possible for men to err in adopting this attitude. Many men had venerated things that were unworthy. Many men had claimed as "inheritance" causes that were dishonourable, but he believed that the drift in these days was in the opposite direction. There were things which were real inheritance, and they were in danger of losing these things, or at least losing their power upon their lives.

The first thing which he thought they were in danger of losing was the sanctity of their Sabbath days. They had often heard about some city or town or countryside being described as "dead on a Sunday." Long might such a place be dead, if by dead were meant there were no counter attractions to the honest worship of God. They needed the peace and quiet of at least one day in seven to restore the balance of life, and he would ask them to preserve with all the power they possessed the sanctity of the Sabbath day.

"COURAGE WHICH CLOSED GATES."

"You commemorate to-day," said Mr. Quinn, "the courage which closed the gates of this city against opposing mighty forces, and in no greater way could you honour that act than by refusing to sell your birthright of Sabbath sanctity. All honour to the men of that greater brotherhood who are pledged to respect the Sabbath and who in no uncertain way have protested against its desecration in any shape or form."

In the second place, he continued, he believed they were in danger of losing the guiding power of Holy Scripture, which was the compass and chart of all who in full vigour travelled the ways of this world. "We celebrate this year," he proceeded, "the 400th anniversary of the placing of the Bible within the reach of the people of Britain, and how better could we honour that triumph than by restoring to its high and rightful place in the heart, in the home and in the community the Holy Word of God. Let us acknowledge our debt to the faithful band of teachers and workers who are not ashamed of the Bible."

The thought which he wanted most of all to leave with them to-day was one which their text brought prominently before them. It was the value of individual effort in the matter of living. Wonderful was the way that God used the nations; great and mighty was the manner in which God directed dynasties, but surely there was no adjective to describe how God worked with individuals.

THE EXAMPLE OF NABOTH.

In the record of God's dealings with mankind they found that He chose the courageous soul. Not even promises or suggestions of convenience could persuade Naboth to part with his inheritance. The vineyard was his and he meant to keep it, let that offend or please anybody else. He was determined to be in the line of worthy succession and he would not give up his possessions even for the King of Samaria. That indeed was the very attitude which they commemorated to-day, when they remembered the Apprentice Boys who closed the Gates of Derry City in 1688. They determined to protect what they held dearer than life itself. "For all of us," declared Mr. Quinn, "there are inheritances which have a value beyond expression, and one way in which we can prove our individual worth is by maintaining our precious possessions against all opposition. These are things which we cannot surrender. It may not be given to many to do much in the matter of achievement, but it is given to everyone to do a great deal in the matter of protection." No service of that kind, he concluded, would be complete or satisfactory without referring to the Great Master Who best of all made known to mankind the will of God. He considered men's souls to be His inheritance. He came to protect His inheritance. He came to stand for it against all opposing powers. He esteemed it more worthy than His own life and at last He died for His inheritance that still His claim might be upon it.

BELFAST CONTINGENT.

Interest in the Derry celebrations to-day was wider than the confines of that historic city.

As during the famous siege, representatives of practically all Northern Ireland districts were to be found behind the walls, so many now in every part of the same area feeling it a bounden duty to assist in commemorating the stand so gallantly and nobly made at that eventful time in the interests of civil and religious liberty.

It was in consequence of this sentiment that over 200 members of the Belfast and District branches of the Apprentice Boys' Clubs of Derry journeyed to the Maiden City this morning to participate in the celebrative display. Heading them were the Amalgamated District Officers.

BELFAST SCHOOLBOY'S TRIPS.

One of the most interested visitors to Derry to-day was the 13-year-old David M'Causland, 41 Blythe Street, who attends Linfield Public Elemenary School. Member of the Junior Orange Order in Sandy Row district, he secured his trip to the Maiden City by taking first place in an essay competition on the siege. This competition had been promoted by the Belfast general secretary of the Apprentice Boys.

Immediately the Belfast contingent returns to the city it will form into processional order, and headed by the Ballymacarrett Defenders' Flute Band, will march to Clifton Street.

BAZAAR AT KESH.

A bazaar in aid of the funds of Magheraculmoney Parish was held in the New Hall, Kesh, on Thursday and Friday. The organising committee consisted of Mr. Asquith, Mrs. Asquith, Mrs. Louis, Mrs. Nimick, Mrs. M'Cartney, Mr. Nimick, Mrs. V. Loane, Rev. R. R. Walker, Rev. R. J. Doonan, and Miss Uprichard.

CALEDON SALE OF WORK.

The Earl of Caledon on Friday afternoon opened a sale of work in Caledon Orange Hall. It was organised by the members of Caledon True Blues L.O.L. No. 1268, of which Br. William Watson is W.M., in aid of the pipe band. Rev. T. A. B. Millington, M.A., presided.

CAR-STEALING IN BELFAST.

There has been a recrudescence of larcenies from motor-cars left unattended for some time in the streets of Belfast during the past week.

It would greatly diminish the chances of loss of property if motorists would lock the doors of their cars before leaving them.

One car, left unattended for about five hours yesterday, had £7 worth of property abstracted in the owner's absence.

HUTTON KNOCKED UNCONSCIOUS

CARRIED OFF THE FIELD

AND RUSHED TO HOSPITAL

SOUTH AFRICANS INJURED

LEN HUTTON, THE YOUNG YORKSHIRE BATSMAN, WAS HIT ON THE HEAD AT THE START OF THE M.C.C.'S INNINGS AGAINST SOUTHERN TRANSVAAL AT JOHANNESBURG TO-DAY AND FELL UNCONSCIOUS OVER HIS WICKET.

He was carried off the field and rushed to hospital by ambulance for an X-ray examination.

Hutton was struck by the third ball sent down by the fast bowler, E. Q. Davies.

It was a sensational start to the M.C.C.'s reply to a score of 428 for eight, at which Southern Transvaal had declared, for with the score only 5 a second wicket went. Paynter being clean bowled.

Two South African players were injured and left the field. Paynter acted as a substitute.

DETAILS OF THE PLAY

JOHANNESBURG, Saturday.—Rain fell during the night, but the wicket was well protected and was in good condition for the second day's play in the match between Southern Transvaal, who had scored 300 for six yesterday, and the M.C.C.

It was cloudy, but warm, and the outfield was drying rapidly when play was resumed. Viljoen (25) and Langton (17) continued to bat in confident style, Viljoen hitting a 2 off Goddard's first ball, and then driving Farnes through the covers for 4.

Wright's first over cost 19 runs. With an on boundary off Wright Viljoen reached his 50, which included five 4's, in 85 minutes and then Langton hit a no ball from Wright for 6.

At 359 Hammond made a double change, going on himself with Wilkinson. The change subdued the batsmen for a time. Hammond bowled two maiden overs in succession, and his first three yielded only one run.

With a single off Wright Viljoen made the seventh-wicket stand 100 in 84 minutes. The 400 was up in 6hrs. 10 mins. The partnership added 130 before Langton skied a short-pitched, rising ball from Farnes to mid-on, where Hutton ran in to take the catch.

Viljoen just failed to get his century, being bowled by Wilkinson for 97. Viljoen has not been in great form this season, and it was generally thought that he got his place in the side on his past reputation. To-day's innings, however, showed that he is still a batsman of Test Match cass. He gave chances early on, but it was an innings full of good strokes in front of the wicket. He hit ten boundaries.

Melville declared at the lunch score of 428 for eight. Only the accuracy of Hammond and Wilkinson kept the runs down this morning.

Wilkinson was easily the best bowler. He took four for 78. Farnes took four for 93, but was not so steady as usual. Wright had 95 runs hit off him without getting a wicket, and Goddard, who bowled 30 overs, also failed.

There was a sensational start to the M.C.C.'s innings. Hutton, the Yorkshire and England batsman, was struck on the head by the third ball sent down by the fast bowler, E. Q. Davies. He fell unconscious over his wicket.

He was carried off the field by Transvaal players and after receiving attention he was taken in an ambulance to hospital, where his head will be X-rayed.

Hutton was out before a run had been made and then Paynter was bowled after making only 5. The M.C.C. thus lost their first two wickets for 5 runs.

Soon after the accident to Hutton two Transvaal players, D. W. Begbie and E. S. Newson, were compelled to leave the field with injuries.

Paynter, who had just been dismissed, came out to field for the Transvaal.

It was stated that as the ball hit the wicket after striking Hutton on the head he was out bowled.

Paynter was beaten by a break-back from Newson. But this was not the end of dramatic incidents, for first D. W. Begbie and then Newson were compelled to leave the field with injuries, the nature of which are not yet known.

S. TRANSVAAL—First Innings.	
B. Mitchell lbw b Wilkinson	133
S. H. Curnow lbw b Wilkinson	34
A. Melville c Ames b Farnes	14
R. E. Grieveson b Wilkinson	8
A. W. Briscow c Wright b Farnes	42
D. W. Bigbie b Farnes	10
K. Viljoen b Wilkinson	97
E. S. Newson not out	13
N. Gordon not out	1
Extras	18
Total (for eight wkts.)	428

Innings declared closed.

—Press Association Special.

M.C.C. (First Innings).	
Hutton b Davies	0
Edrich b Langton	38
Paynter b Newson	5
W. R. Hammond c Langton b Gordon	24
Extras	3
Total (for four wickets)	75

TO-DAY'S RACING.

HURST PARK MEETING.

1-0—SURBITON SELLING HURDLE RACE of 150 sovs; for three-year-olds only; second to receive 5 sovs; winner to be sold for 50 sovs. Two miles

10 11 **ISOPOD** (Mrs. A. James) D. Morgan 1

11 4 **SAMPAN II.** (Mr. R. Dick) H. Nicholson 2

10 11 **ATKINSON** (Mr. H. Gregson) E. C. Brown 3

Also ran—The Shaver (F. Rickaby), Hillesley (A. Jenkins), Stethoscope (Mr. J. Hislop), Shorts (E. Foley), Kiddie Sister (F. Ensten), Port Glasgow (S. Pullen), Pagliacco (Mr. Gordon), Gay Note (R. Smyth), and Gresson (G. Wicks).

Winner trained by I. Anthony, Wroughton.

Betting—13 to 8 agst The Shaver, **100 to 30 agst Isopod**, 8 to 1 agst Atkinson, 10 to 1 each agst Cresson and Shorts, 100 to 8 agst Gay Note, 100 to 6 each agst Sampan II. and Hillesley, and 20 to 1 each agst any other. Race started at 1-4.

Tote—Win—8s 9d. Places—3s 5d, 14s 8d, and 5s 9d.

The Shaver cut out the work from Hillesley, Kiddie Sister, Port Glasgow, Gay Note, and Pagliacco. Isopod improved after going seven furlongs, and at halfway went to the front attended by Hillesley, Gay Note, and Pagliacco. Sampan II. and Atkinson (both on the outside) moved up two flights from home, but Isopod had no difficulty in holding off Sampan II. to win by four lengths; half a length between the second and third. The Shaver was fourth, and Kiddie Sister last. Time—4mins. 19 1-5secs.

Isopod was sold to Stanley Wootton for 250 guineas.

1-30—TRAINERS' OPTIONAL SELLING STEEPLECHASE of 200 sovs; for four-year-olds and upwards; second to receive 20 sovs, third 10 sovs. Two miles 240 yards.

11 7 **SANTA KLAUS**, 7 (Sir F. Towle) T. M'Neill 1

12 5 **SOLARIUM**, 6 (Sir E. Hanmer) T. Rimell 2

10 0 **BLUE NOSE**, 6 (Mr. I. Davis) G. Wilson 3

Also ran—Velvet Glove (W. Kidney), Brendan's Cottage (T. F. Carey), Knight of the Border (F. Walwyn), and Anca (Mr. R. Petre).

Winner trained by Tabor, Epsom.

Betting—7 to 4 agst Knight of the Border, 3 to 1 agst Solarium, 9 to 2 agst Anca, **6 to 1 agst Santa Klaus**, 100 to 8 agst Brendan's Cottage, 100 to 7 agst Blue Nose, and 20 to 1 ast Velvet Glove. Race started at 1-31.

Tote—Win—12s 5d. Places—5s 6d, 4s 4d, and 4s 5d.

Anca led from Solarium and Brendan's Cottage. Velvet Glove fell at the second fence, and on reaching the stands Anca was in front of Brendan's Cottage, Solarium, and Knight of the Border. Santa Klaus improved on reaching the straight and jumped the last fence slightly ahead of Solarium and Knight of the Border. Knight of the Border quickly weakened, and Santa Klaus mastered Solarium to win by a length; six lengths between the second and third. Brendan's Cottage was fourth, and Knight of the Border last. Time—4mins. 33 secs.

2-0—THAMES HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 150 sovs; second to receive 25 sovs, third 10 sovs. Two miles.

12 3 **VITEMENT**, 5 (Mr. Jacks) A. Mullins 1

10 10 **GOOD**, 4 (Mr. J. E. Davis) D. L. Jones 2

10 13 **TADOUSAC**, 4 (Mrs. A. James) D. Morgan 3

Also ran—Apple Peel (S. Ingham), Nocib (K. Piggott), Sindhi (H. Nicholson), Blunderbuss (G. Burry), and Black Prince (S. Magee).

Winner trained by Manby, Lewes, Sussex.

Betting—**9 to 4 agst Vitement**, 11 to 4 agst Nocib, 5 to 1 agst Black Prince, 7 to 1 agst Apple Peel, 8 to 1 agst Good, 100 to 8 each agst Tadousac and Sindhi, and 20 to 1 agst Blunderbuss. Race started at 2-2.

WELL-KNOWN JOCKEY DEAD.

G. Nicoll, the well-known jockey, was found dead early to-day at his home at Newmarket.

BAKERY MANAGER FOR TRIAL.

DONEGAL ACCIDENT.

MAN'S NECK BROKEN.

CHARGE OF MANSLAUGHTER.

At Newtowncunningham District Court on Friday, before District Justice Walsh, James Elms, Milford, manager of the Milford Bakery Co., was returned for trial at Letterkenny Circuit Court on a charge of the manslaughter of Patrick M'Conville, Newtowncunningham, on 5th inst., bail being fixed at £200 and one surety of £200. Seventeen witnesses were examined.

James Latta, Newtowncunningham, said he met M'Conville walking along the right-hand side of the road coming towards Letterkenny. He also saw the light of an approaching car. The car swerved into Connells Street, then swerved to the right, and crossed to the left-hand side again. Witness had to jump into the ditch to get out of the way. After the car passed he heard a dull thud. Subsequently he found M'Conville lying beside the wall.

Dr. William Rankin said that M'Conville's neck was broken, and this was the cause of death.

Robert Callaghan said the car, which was coming towards Letterkenny, cut to the right and then out again.

William Kelly, Newtowncunningham, said the car was travelling on the wrong side of the road, and shortly after it passed him he heard a crash.

Robert Burke, a schoolboy, said he saw the car throwing a man against the wall, and then stopping.

HE LOST HIS WAY.

Sergeant Cullen, Muff, said that on the evening of the accident he saw a stationary car at Muff Frontier Post in charge of the accused. Accused admitted having been involved in an accident. He made a statement in which he said he left Milford and went to Derry, where he transacted some business. On his way back, as he was going through Newtowncunningham a young fellow ran across the road from the left-hand side to the right-hand side. He swerved to avoid hitting him, and by doing so he hit a man in the back. He saw the man seemed to be injured and asked another man to bring him to the nearest doctor. The man said something to him, and he made up his mind to go to Derry for a doctor. On the way to Derry he lost his way and found himself at Muff Customs Post.

Accused was sober, but appeared to be excited and worried.

At the conclusion of the case Miss Rose Ann M'Conville, sister of Patrick M'Conville, said she wished to state that she bore no ill-will to the accused as a result of the accident.

The Justice and Mr. J. A. Osborne (who appeared for the defendant) thanked Miss M'Conville for her remarks, Mr. Osborne stating that no one was more sorry for what had happened than Mr. Elms.

EIGHT LIVES LOST

IN ALEXANDRIA FIRE.

TRAPPED IN CUSTOMS SHED.

CAIRO, Friday.—Eight persons lost their lives in a fire at a Customs shed in Alexandria to-day.

Two tons of used cinema film reels caught fire, and the building was razed to the ground within 30 minutes.

The victims were trapped in the shed and unable to make their way out through the dense clouds of smoke.

The fire is believed to have been caused by a spark from a hatchet which was being used instead of a pair of scissors for destroying the reels. —Eighteen cases of films were destroyed.—Exchange.

TO-DAY'S SHIPPING.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS

TO AND FROM PORT OF BELFAST.

Arrived on the 17th inst.:—

The ss American Shipper (Richmond) from New York, Boston, via Manchester and Liverpool with general cargo; sundry consignees; H. Gown & Co., agents.

The ss Euthalia (Zaibes) from Buenos Ayres via St. Vinvent with maize; R. & H. Hall, Ltd., consignees; J. Burke & Co., Ltd., agents.

The ss Cameo from London via Dublin with cement and meal.

The ss Harptree Combe from Avonmouth with petrol and oil.

The ss Eveleen, ss J.F.V. and ss Kyle Bute from Garston, the ss Stramore from Workington, the ss Bellavale and ss Snow Queen and ss Glendalough from Ayr, the ss Helen Craig and ss Kingstown from Glasgow, the ss Clydebrae from Troon, the ss Bamboo from Cardiff, and the ss Falavee from Preston—all with coal.

Sailed on the 17th inst.:—

The ss Varna for Gothenburg via Glasgow.

The ss American Shipper for Boston, New York, via Glasgow.

The ss Stramore and ss Druid for Glasgow.

The ss Dunleary for Preston.

The ss Elider for Port Dinorwic.

The ss Eveleen for Garston.

The ss Bellavale for Workington.

The ss Glenmaroon, ss Melissa, ss Lagan, ss Kingstown and ss Glendalough for Ayr.

The ss Regent Panther for Trinidad.

Arrived at Glasgow on the 16th inst., the ss Melmore Head (Black) from Cork.

Arrived at Riga on the 16th inst., the ss Orlock Head (Dick) from Troon.

Sailed from Hamburg on the 16th inst., the ss Holstenau (Dreyer) for Belfast.

PURDYSBURN HOSPITAL.

CONDITION OF PATIENTS.

The following report was issued from the hospital to-day:—

Class 1 (dangerously ill)—Nil.

Class 2 (seriously ill, no immediate danger)—636 251 264 279 280 282 303 305 307 315 316 318 319 324 326 327 332 333 334 335 336 337 339 340 341 342 343 344 348 349 351 352 353 354 355 357 358 360 361 362 363 364 365 366.

Class 3 (ill, making satisfactory progress) —198 199 206 219 231 235 238 240 249 250 254 257 267 270 271 273 277 279 281 283 284 285 286 287 289 290 291 293 295 296 297 298 299 300 302 304 306 308 309 311 312 313 314 317 320 321 322 325 328 329 330 331 338 345 346 347.

Class 4 (convalescent and doing well)—All others.

Inquiries may be made by telephone regarding those in Classes 1 and 2 between 9 and 10 a.m. and 5 and 6 p.m. 'Phone 41212. The telephone must not be used in other classes.

THE MARKETING OF EGGS.

WHOLESALE DEALERS' PRICES.

The Ministry of Agriculture has determined that the following shall be the prices payable by licensed wholesale dealers for eggs delivered during the week ended on Saturday, December 17, 1938.

HEN EGGS.

For hen eggs purchased by a licensed wholesale dealer from a producer 11d per lb. Where the hen eggs were delivered by the producer to the packing store of a licensed wholesale dealer of Class A, an additional halfpenny per lb. shall be paid.

For hen eggs purchased by a licensed wholesale dealer of Class A from a licensed wholesale dealer of Class B, 11 7-16d per lb.

Deductions:—"Seconds" "soiled eggs," ½d per egg. Rejects, 1½d per egg.

DUCK EGGS.

For duck eggs purchased by a licensed wholesale dealer from a producer 1s 5d per dozen. Where the duck eggs were delivered by the producer to the packing store of a licensed wholesale dealer of Class A, an additional three-farthings shall be paid for each complete dozen so delivered.

Deductions:—Rejects, 1½d per egg.

The "BELFAST TELEGRAPH" can be Posted Daily to Subscribers at the following Prepaid Rates:—

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6 Months	32s 6d
12 Months	65s

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS (must be authenticated)—3s for 28 words or under and 9d for every additional line of 7 words.

BIRTH.

PINKERTON—December 7, 1938, at Downpatrick, to Dorothea, wife of Cecil G. Pinkerton, Killard, Strangford—a son.

DEATHS.

ASHE—December 17, 1938, at his residence, 67 Upper Mervue Street, William John (Billy), eldest and dearly-beloved son of Thomas George and Hannah Ashe. His remains will be removed on Monday, at 2 o'clock, for interment in Carnmoney Burying-ground.

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord."

Deeply regretted by his sorrowing Father, Mother, and Brothers.

ENGINEERS' L.O.L. 1985

ASHE—The Officers and Members of above Lodge regret to learn of the death of the brother of their esteemed Member, Br. Robert Ashe, and tender to him their sincere sympathy.

G. RICE, W.M.

J. MORTON, Secy.

BELFAST APPRENTICE BOYS' FLUTE BAND.

ASHE—The Officers and Members of the above Band regret to learn of the death of their highly-esteemed Member, W. Ashe, and tender to his family their deepest sympathy. Members are requested to attend funeral.

T. WYBRANTS, Chairman.

J. HANNA, Secy.

DUNCAIRN FLUTE BAND.

ASHE—The Officers and Members of above Band regret to learn of the death of the brother of their esteemed Member, Tom Ashe, and tender their deepest sympathy to him and family in their sad bereavement.

T. KANE, Chairman.

A. BROWN, Secy.

BENNETT—December 17, 1938, at Ards District Hospital (result of an accident), William (aged 3 years), dearly-beloved son of Hugh and Elizabeth Bennett, 1 Comber Road, Newtownards. Funeral to Dundonald Churchyard, on Monday, at 3 p.m.

Deeply regretted by his sorrowing Father, Mother, Brothers and Sisters.

CARLETON—December 17, 1938, at the Hill, Cardy, Mary, only and dearly-loved daughter of Bertram Hugh and Sophia Jane Carleton. Funeral to the family burying-ground, Greyabbey on Monday, at 1 p.m.

Deeply regretted by her sorrowing Father and Mother, and little Brothers.

CROSS—December 16, 1938, at her residence, 45 Melrose Street, Annie, dearly-beloved eldest daughter of the late Richard and Lina Cross. Funeral from above address, on Monday, 19th inst., at 2-30 p.m., to City Cemetery.

"Safe in the arms of Jesus."

Deeply regretted by her sorrowing Sister,

MARIA.

Also her Sister-in-law, Nephews, and Nieces.

FOX—December 16, 1938 (suddenly), at her residence, 88 Stranmillis Road, Belfast, Winifred, dearly-loved wife of William Fox. Funeral on to-morrow (Sunday), at 2-30 p.m., to Derriaghy Parish Churchyard. House private.

"Jesus tenderly called her."

Deeply regretted by her sorrowing Husband and Son.

FOX—December 16, 1938 (suddenly), at her residence, 88 Stranmillis Road, Winifred, dearly-loved daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Draper, Conway, Dunmurry.

Deeply regretted by Father, Mother, Brothers, and Sister.

FURPHY—December 16, 1938, at his residence, 52 Oranmore Street, James Furphy. His remains will be removed from above address, on to-morrow (Sunday), at 7-45 p.m., to St. Paul's Church, for interment in Milltown Cemetery, on Monday, at 2 p.m.

On his soul, sweet Jesus, have mercy.

Inserted by his sorrowing Sister.

ELIZABETH FURPHY.

GLENN—December 17, 1938, at her son's residence, 125 Seaview Drive, Martha, widow of James Glenn, late of Maddybenny, Portrush. House and funeral private. No flowers.

Deeply regretted.

GRAHAM—December 16, 1938, Helena (Daisy), the dearly-beloved and only daughter of Henry and Helena Graham, Rockview, Crawfordsburn Road, Bangor. Funeral on to-morrow (Sunday), at 2-30 p.m., to Bangor New Cemetery.

A lamb in the Shepherd's fold.

HANNA—December 16, 1938, at Hospital, Hugh, beloved husband of the late Margaret A. Hanna. Funeral from Melville's Private Parlour, Townsend Street, on Monday, 19th December, at 2-30 p.m., to Dundonald.

Deeply regretted by his loving Family.

HANNA—December 16, 1938, at Hospital, Hugh, dearly-beloved husband of the late Margaret A. Hanna.

Deeply regretted by his sorrowing Son, Daughter-in-law, and Granddaughter.

JOHN AND GEORGINA HANNA.

34 Ardenvohr Street.

HARVEY—December 16, 1938, at the Hospital, Lisburn Road, William, the beloved father of George Harvey. Funeral from his son's residence, 18 Somme Drive, on Monday, 19th inst., at 2 p.m., to Dundonald Cemetery.

Deeply regretted by his Son and Daughter-in-law.

GEORGE AND ANNIE HARVEY, and Grandsons.

32 Ravenhill Street

HARVEY—December 16, 1938, at the Hospital, Lisburn Road, William, the dearly-beloved father of Wm. Harvey. His remains will be removed from his son's residence, 18 Somme Drive, on Monday, 19th inst., at 2 p.m., to Dundonald Cemetery.

Deeply regretted by his sorrowing Son and Daughter-in-law.

WILLIAM AND MARGARET HARVEY.

Also his Grandsons, James, Noel and Bryan.

HARVEY—December 16, 1938, at the Hospital, Lisburn Road, William, the dearly-beloved father of John Harvey.

Deeply regretted by his sorrowing Son and Daughter-in-law.

JOHN AND KATHLEEN HARVEY.

Also his Grandsons, John and Major.

23 Bruce Street.

JAMIESON—December 16, 1938, at his residence, Mullyrodden, Greystone, Hugh John Jamieson. Funeral on Monday, at 12 o'clock, to the family burying-ground, Clonaneece.

Deeply regretted by his sorrowing Wife and Family.

MACKEY—December 16, 1938, Agnes Mackey, late of Donegall Avenue. Funeral from Wilton's Private Mortuary, Crumlin Road, on to-morrow (Sunday), 18th inst., at 2 p.m., to Rashee New Cemetery.

Deeply regretted by her Sister.

Mrs. EMERSON and Relatives.

MOFFETT—December 16, 1938, at 114g Abbey Street, Bangor, Margaret, widow of John Moffett (late of 89 Devonshire Street, Belfast). Funeral to City Cemetery, on Monday, at 11 a.m.

Deeply regretted by her sorrowing Sister.

SARAH KEARNEY.

Also her Friend, Robert Davidson.

NORTH OF IRELAND MARKET TRADERS' UNION

MOFFATT—The Officers and Members of the above Union deeply regret to learn of the death of their highly-respected Member, Margaret Moffatt, and tender to her relatives their sincere sympathy.

JOHN ALLEN, President.

D. FITZPATRICK, Secy.

M'COMB—December 16, 1938 (suddenly), at the Royal Victoria Hospital, Samuel James, husband of the late Margaret M'Comb. Funeral from his late residence, 4 Greenland Street, on Monday, 19th inst., at 2-30 p.m., for interment in City Cemetery. Friends will please accept this intimation.

Deeply regretted by his sorrowing Cchildren, Bertie, Annie, Jim and Madge.

M'COMB—December 16, 1938 (suddenly), at the Royal Victoria Hospital, Samuel James, husband of the late Margaret M'Comb. The remains of my dear father will be removed from his late residence, 4 Greenland Street on Monday, 19th inst., at 2-30 p.m., for interment in City Cemetery.

Deeply regretted by his sorrowing Son and Daughter-in-law.

WILLIAM AND ELIZABETH M'COMB.

37 Frenchpark Street.

M'COMB—December 16, 1938 (suddenly), at the Royal Victoria Hospital, Samuel James, beloved brother of Minnie Corry. Funeral from his late residence, 4 Greenland Street, on Monday, 19th inst., at 2-30 p.m., for interment in City Cemetery.

Deeply regretted by his sorrowing Sister and Brother-in-law.

MINNIE AND SAMUEL CORRY.

Also his Nephew Jim.

21 North Howard Street.

M'COMB—December 16, 1938 (suddenly), at the Royal Victoria Hospital, Samuel James M'Comb.

Deeply regretted by

JOHN AND CASSIE LYTTLE. And Family.

4 Seventh Street.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH DEFENDERS' TEMPERANCE JUNIOR L.O.L. 22.

M'COMB—The Officers and Members of the above Lodge deeply regret to learn of the death of the father of their esteemed Member, Br. James M'Comb, and tender to him their sincere sympathy.

JOHN THOMPSON, W.M.

ALEXANDER STEWART, Secy.

JAMES M'CARROLL, Supt.

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ST. MARY'S CHURCH DEFENDERS' TEMPERANCE L.O.L. 1035 AND R.A.P.C. 1035.

M'COMB—The Officers and Members of the above Lodge and Chapter deeply regret to learn of the death of their highly-esteemed Member, Br. Samuel J. M'Comb, and tender to his son, Br. William M'Comb, and sorrowing family their sincere sympathy. Members are requested to attend funeral.

WILLIAM M'GRATH, W.M.

ROBERT YOUNG, P.M., Secy.

ANDREW M'KAY, W.M.

WILLIAM M'GRATH, Reg.

M'CULLOUGH—December 17, 1938, Catherine, widow of James M'Cullough, late of 13 Earl Place. Funeral on Monday, 19th inst., at 2-30 p.m., from Wilton's Private Mortuary, Crumlin Road, to Carnmoney Churchyard.

M'CUNE—December 15, 1938, at her residence, 104 Templemore Avenue, Ellen, widow of James M'Cune. Funeral on Monday, 19th inst., at 2 p.m., to Dundonald Cemetery.

Deeply regretted.

JOHNSTON GOLDEN STAR TEMPERANCE L.O.L. 1934.

M'CUNE—Officers and Members of above Lodge regret to learn of the death of the mother of their highly-esteemed Member, Br. James M'Cune, and tender to him their deepest sympathy.

S. MILLING, W.M.

J. WALSH, Secy.

PATTISON—December 16, 1938 (suddenly), at the Royal Victoria Hospital, John, the dearly-beloved husband of Jane Pattison. His remains will be removed from his late residence, 11 Graymount Park, on Monday, at 2 p.m., for interment in Carnmoney Cemetery.

At the river's crystal brink,
Christ shall join each broken link.

Deeply regretted by his sorrowing Wife and Family.

11 Graymount Park.

PATTISON—December 16, 1938 (suddenly), at the Royal Victoria Hospital, John Pattison.

God will link the broken chain
As one by one we meet again

Deeply regretted by his Son, Daughter-in-law, and Grandchildren.

29 Graymount Park.

REV. SAMUEL COCHRANE MASONIC LODGE No. 413.

PATTISON—The Officers and Members of this Lodge regret to learn of the death of their esteemed Member Br. John Pattison (father of Br. Robert Pattison, Senior Warden), and tender to his sorrowing family their sincere sympathy. Members are requested to attend the funeral.

ALEXANDER H. HYNDMAN, W.M.

HERBERT S. L. MOORE, P.M., Secy.

CARNMONEY L.O.L. No. 963.

PATTISON—The Officers and Members of above Lodge regret to learn of the death of the brother of their highly-esteemed Member, Br. Robert Pattison, and tender to him and his family their sincere sympathy.

JAMES GEDDIS, W.M.

JOSEPH BIGGER, Secy.

AMALGAMATED SOCIETY OF WOOD-WORKERS—BELFAST 2nd BRANCH.

PATTISON—Members of the above Branch are requested to attend the funeral of their late and respected Member, John Pattison.

WM. M'MECHAN, President.

E. SHEPHARD, Secy.

SMITH—December 17, 1938, Sarah Ann Smith, at the residence of her niece, 36 Velsheda Park, Ardoyne. Funeral on to-morrow (Sunday), at 2-30 p.m., to Umgall. House private.

English papers please copy.

At rest.

WEIR—December 17, 1938, at her residence, 46 Tennent Street, Margaret Weir. House and funeral private.

THANKS.

Mr. and Mrs. Adair desire to thank all the kind Friends and Neighbours who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement, and to those who sent floral tributes. Hoping this acknowledgment will be accepted by all.—5 Rochester Street.

Miss Sarah Dumigan wishes to express her sincere thanks to the many kind Friends who sympathised with her in her recent bereavement. Hoping this acknowledgment will be accepted by all.—Dam Head, near Moira.

The Sisters of the late **Mary Graham** desire to thank the many kind Friends who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement, especially Nurse Nixon for her kind attention during illness; also intimate Friends, Neighbours of Derwent Street, and the Winding Department of Ross Bros. for their floral tributes. Trusting this will be accepted by all.—91 Derwent Street.

Mrs. Summers wishes to thank the many kind Friends and Neighbours who sympathised with her in her sad bereavement, either personally or by letter.—1 Bellevue Terrace, Larne Harbour.

IN MEMORIAM.

AGNEW—In loving memory of my dear husband, Samuel, and our dear father, who died on the 17th December, 1937.

What peaceful hours we once enjoyed,
How sweet their memory still;
But death has left an aching void
The world can never fill.

Ever remembered by his loving Wife, Sons, and Daughters, Sons-in-law and Daughters-in-law and Grandchildren.

147 Dee Street.

AGNEW—In loving memory of our dear Father, who died 17th December, 1934; also our dear Mother, who died 12th November, 1918.

Ever remembered by their loving Family.

5 Station Road, Lambeg.

CALLENDER—In treasured and affectionate remembrance of my darling Wife, and our precious Mammy, called Home 17th December, 1937.

Loved, remembered, longed for.

Sadly missed by her loving Husband and Family.

9 Loopland Crescent, Cregagh.

CARLISLE—In loving memory of our dear son, Jack, who fell asleep in Jesus 18th December, 1928.

With all our dear ones round us,
In that eternal Home,
Where death no more shall part us,
And night shall never come.

Never forgotten by his Father and Mother.

JOHN AND ELIZABETH CARLISLE.

89 Ballynahinch Road, Lisburn.

CLARKE—In loving memory of my dear father, Robert Clark, who died 18th December, 1936.

Till memory fades and life departs,
You will live for ever in our hearts.

Ever remembered by his loving Son and Daughter-in-law and Grandchildren.

JAMES AND ELIZABETH CLARKE.

39 Battenberg Street.

CRANSTON—In loving memory of my dear wife, and our dear mother, Eliza Jane Cranston, who departed this life 17th December, 1936.

In our home she is fondly remembered,
Sweet memories cling to her name;
Those who loved her in life sincerely
Still love her in death just the same.
Always in our thoughts.

Ever remembered by her loving Husband and Family.

18 Northland Street.

CUMMINS—Ever in our memory is Winnie, who died 18th December, 1928.

"Hillside," Westland Gardens.

CUNNINGHAM—In loving memory of my dear Mother, died 17th December, 1937.

In memory a constant thought,
In heart a silent sorrow.

Ever remembered by her Son and Daughter-in-law; also Grandchildren.

JOHN CUNNINGHAM.

14 Madras Street, Belfast.

DAWSON—Treasured memories of a dear Wife and Mother

Always remembered by her loving Husband and Family.

JOHN DAWSON.

30 Bandon Street.

DOWNEY—A loving tribute to the memory of our darling son, John (wee Jackie), who entered into rest 18th December, 1934.

We will never forget you, our little son,
No, not until our time has run;
We would dearly have loved to keep you at home,
But God wanted you there to sit at His throne.

Always remembered by his loving Father, Mother, Brothers, and Sisters.

ROBERT AND ELLEN DOWNEY.

Ballycarry.

GILL—Cherished memories of a loving husband and father, Richard Gill, entered into rest December 17, 1936.

To be with us in the same old way,
Would be our dearest wish to-day.

Ever remembered by his Wife and Family.

50 Devonshire Street.

HAMILTON—In loving memory of my dear wife, Agnes, and our dear mother, who died 17th December, 1935.

She had a nature you could not help loving,
A heart that was purer than gold;
And to those who knew her and loved her,
Her memory will never grow cold.

Ever remembered by her loving Husband and Family.

188 My Lady's Road.

HAMILTON—In loving memory of my dear mother, Agnes Hamilton, died 17th December, 1935.

We cannot forget you, mother dear,
Your memory grows sweeter year after year;
You cannot return, so tears are in vain,
But in Heaven we are hoping to meet you again.

Ever remembered by her loving Son and Daughter-in-law.

WILLIAM AND VIOLET HAMILTON.

30 Avoniel Parade.

HUTCHINSON—In loving memory of my dear mother, Jane Hutchinson, who departed this life 17th December, 1937.

Ever remembered by her Daughter and Son-in-law and Grandchildren.

MARGARET AND GEORGE M'CULLOUGH.

56 Glenbryn Park.

KEITH—In loving memory of my dear husband, James Keith, who departed this life 17th December, 1937.

To be with you in the same old way
Is my dearest wish to-day.

Sadly missed by his loving Wife

MARTHA KEITH.

10 Swift Street.

LYNAS—In treasured and ever-loving remembrance of our much-loved and devoted Marjorie, called Home 17th December, 1933.

With tender love and deep regret,
We, who loved her, can never forget.

Deeply mourned by her loved ones at home

70 Circular Road, Larne.

M'ALLISTER—In loving memory of my dear father, James M'Allister, died 18th December, 1937.

To memory ever dear.

S. AND J. TERRINGTON, and Grandsons.

47 Linwood Street.

M'CLEERY—Remembrance of our darling wee Sam; also his grandmother, Margaret Wilson.

Flowers fade, but memories linger on.

Remembered by his Father, Mother, and Sister.

11 Lawnbrook Avenue.

IN MEMORIAM.

M'CORMICK—In loving memory of our dear mother, Margaret M'Cormick, who entered into rest on the 17th December, 1937.

In memory a constant thought,
In heart a silent sorrow.

Sadly missed by her loving Family

24 Egeria Street.

M'CORMICK—In loving memory of our dear sister, Margaret M'Cormick, who died on the 17th December, 1937

Always remembered by her loving Sisters and Brothers.

84 Donegall Road.

M'ILVENNY—In loving memory of our dear nephew, wee Joe, who died 17th December, 1935.

Whatever else we fail to do,
We never fail to think of you.

Never forgotten by his loving Aunt Ruby and Uncle Jim.

31 Kitchener Street.

M'MAHON—In loving memory of my dear husband, John M'Mahon, who was killed on the 17th December, 1934.

SUSAN M'MAHON.

60 Hardcastle Street.

STOCKMAN—In loving memory of my dear wife, Nellie, called Home 18th December, 1937.

Love's last gift—Remembrance.

Sadly missed by her loving Husband.

SAMUEL STOCKMAN.

66 Upper Charleville Street.

MONDAY'S RACING FORECASTS.

SELFCTIONS BY "BURNABY."

BIRMINGHAM MEETING.

1. 0—MISS CANADA.
1-30—WILD LANCER.
2. 0—LIMACE.*
2-30—TELSCOMBE SQUIRE.
3. 0—TATTENHALL.
3-30—PORTPATRICK.

LIMACE and PORTPATRICK.

MOTOR-CARS.

FERRIS'S Shell-Tecalemit Car Valeting Station, Sandy Row and Hope Street.—Complete Chassis Greasing and Spraying Springs, 2s 6d; Washing and Polishing by high-pressure system, 3s 6d; Repairs carried out to all makes, expert mechanics. Also

WANTED a number of Used Cars in exchange for any make of New Car. For Sale—1935 Morris 10, £57 10s; 1934 Morris 10 Saloon De Luxe, new tyres, £52 10s. Phone 20457.

RE-GROOVING means cutting lines in a tyre to keep it from skidding. We have installed the latest and most up-to-date machine in Ulster; prices are from 1s 6d per tyre.

WHEELS for practically all makes of cars at half maker's prices.—J. C. Vulcanising Co., 29 Adelaide Street. Phone 25753.

1936 Wolseley 12 h.p. Saloon De Luxe, in good condition, taxed, £80; 1937 Austin 7 Saloon, in nice condition, recently reconditioned, £80; 1932 Morris Major Coachbuilt Saloon, fresh condition, taxed, £20; Riley Alpine Saloon, specially tuned, in excellent condition, one owner. Exchanges and deferred terms.—Smyth's Garage, 166 Lisburn Road.

AN opportunity.—£65, 1938 11.4 Opel Cadet Saloon Car, mileage 10,000, taxed.—Box 955a.

AUSTIN 7 h.p., Morris Minor, and B.S.A. Parts for Sale.—M'Cready, 319 Antrim Road. Phone 43732.

AUSTIN 10 h.p. De Luxe Saloon, taxed, £47 10s; Austin 7 h.p. Ruby Saloon, taxed, £60; Austin 7 h.p. De Luxe Saloon, taxed, £37 10s; Ford 8 h.p. Tudor Saloon, £30; Morris 10 h.p. De Luxe Saloon, taxed, £45; Morris Minor 8 h.p. s.v. Saloon, taxed, £25; several other Cars from £8, taxed.—M'Cready, 319 Antrim Road. Phone 43732.

FOR Sale, 1931 Singer 8, in p.m.o.; good tyres. Apply Box 779.

FOR Sale, 1938 Morris 12 h.p., in new condition, done approximately 8,000 miles; any trial given. Apply 38 Hill Street, Belfast.

MORRIS 8 h.p. 1936 2-door wanted, fixed head. State price, condition, Box 983a.

MORRIS 10 h.p. 1939 De Luxe Saloon, two weeks in use, not soiled; taxed; bargain; consider taking car part exchange.—Box 4261a.

ROVER 14 h.p., 1937, perfect condition, small mileage, price £220 or nearest offer. Apply Box 4184.

TRAILERS from £5 10s, large Cattle Trailers from £15—Scott Bros., Engineers, Brewery Buildings, Sandy Row.

YOUR Car Insured, best terms, best companies, with John Hill, 73 May Street, Belfast.

1937 Hillman Minx Saloon De Luxe, 10 h.p., excellent condition, £100.—265 Alexandra Park Avenue.

1937 22 h.p. V.8 Saloon, 1932 Austin Seven Saloon, 22 h.p. Austin Ambulance, 25cwt. Fordson Truck.—J. W. Cahey & Co., Graham Gardens, Lisburn. Phone 3261.

MOTOR CYCLES.

B.S.A. Motor-Cycle for Sale, p.m.o.; seen Monday.—17 Belmore Street.

M'INTYRE Bros., May Street, are Sole Distributors for Ariel, Francis-Barnett, New Imperial, O.K. Supreme, Rudge Triumph, and Velocette Motor Cycles; catalogues free; exchanges and easy payments.

CYCLES.

AT Dorman's—Great Clearance Sale of Bicycles, Tricycles, Prams, Folders, and Toys of all descriptions; don't miss this great Xmas opportunity.—Mountpottinger Corner, 134-6 Albertbridge Road.

RUDGE-WHITWORTH (Gent.'s), as new, 3-speed, oil-bath gearcase, electric light, £4. Box 7972.

WANTED, Tricycle for Boy of six years; must be in good order.—Box 4157a.

GARAGES.

CARS garaged, 10s monthly.—M'Cready, 32a Oceanic Avenue. Phone 43732.

LOCK-UP Garage wanted, adjacent Lisburn Road end of Elmwood Avenue.—Box 993.

TO Let, small Garage, 3s per week; off Donegall Street; suit small car.—Box 4297a.

FOR HIRE.

8d PER MILE

Austin 4-seater Cars, chauffeur driven, 4d per mile after 10 miles.

FAST TAXIS, LTD. 'Phone 58011

A first-class Removal and Storage Service; estimates free.—Wilton, Crumlin Road.

COWAN, 16 Albion Street, reliable Furniture Removers and Carriers; pianos carefully handled; estimates free. Phone 24371.

CURRAN Bros., Furniture Removers by land or sea; Carriers, Warehousemen, Export Packers; Removals undertaken to all parts of world.—10 Albert Street. Phone 26446; Night 67204.

LICENSING NOTICE.

MONEYLENDERS ACT (N.I.), 1933.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE UNDER SECTION 2.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that I, MARGARET STEWART, do intend to apply to the Resident Magistrate at the Petty Sessions for the District of Belfast on the 3rd day of JANUARY, 1939, for a Certificate to enable me to obtain an Excise Licence to carry on the business of Moneylender at 119 Millfield, Belfast, in the County of the City of Belfast, in the name of Margaret Stewart.

Dated this 16th day of December, 1938.

MARGARET STEWART, Applicant.

N. & F. TUGHAN, Solicitors for Applicant, 20 Victoria Street, Belfast.

NURSING AND MATERNITY.

NURSE (S.C.M.) offers lovely Home pending and during confinement; baby's home if required; confidential; moderate.—Box P4228.

NURSE Kinnear, Whitehall, North Road, receives Patients, Medical, Maternity; select district; lengthy periods considered; trained staff; privacy guaranteed; very moderate.

GARDENING.

WE offer a fine lot of Azalea Indica in bloom for Christmas; price 3s 6d each; delivered in city.—William Magee, Knock Nursery. Phone 53115.

PARTNERSHIPS AND FINANCE.

PARTNER, £100, terms or sell, sound proposition; no risk; offers life future; big progressive profits; business taught.—Box 4322a.

DANGAN JOINS STUBB'S TEAM.

Dangan, five-year-old gelding by Knight of the Garter out of Bonds, has arrived at W. Stubbs' training establishment at Letcombe Regis, Wantage.

WHY GOALKEEPER SCRATCHED.

The goalkeeper of the Crawley Club has reported to the Sussex County Football Commission that during the game with Hassocks, boys threw itching powder at him. Caution bills are to be posted on the ground.

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Selling Hurdle, Birmingham—Big Bad Wolf.

Birmingham engagements, December 20—Gallantly and Filanzane.

Wroughton Hurdle, Newbury—Montmajour.

All engagements under National Hunt Rules—Bay Dragon.

All engagements in Mr. T. F. Brewster's name—Grey Velvet filly (2yrs).

All engagements — Turkish Tunic, Sukie, and Homeric colt.

An Ulster Church's
Historic Links

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What I Want at
My Memorial Service

Read Lady Oxford's Saturday Commentary in to-day's issue.

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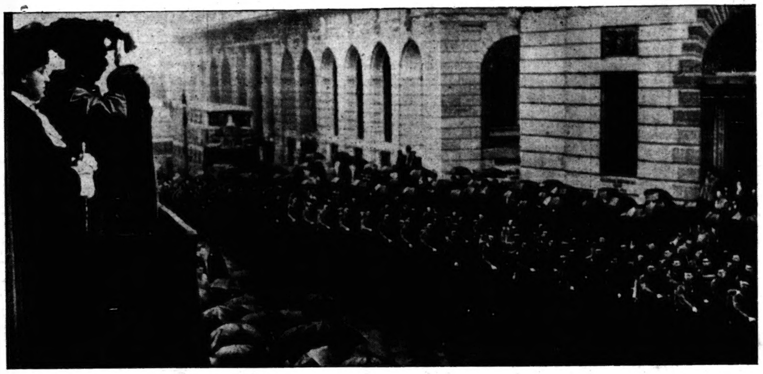
DECEMBER SUNSHINE AND REFLECTIONS AT GLENGORMLEY, BELFAST.

THE CAST IN "CHRISTMAS TIME," PRESENTED BY THE CO-OPERATIVE ELOCUTION CLASS IN THE HUSBAND MEMORIAL HALL UNDER THE GUIDANCE OF MISS MARGARET SCOTT, L.T.C.L.

CHILDREN ENTERTAINED.—HAPPY SCENE IN BROOKVILLE MASONIC CLUB, ANTRIM ROAD, BELFAST, WHERE MEMBERS OF THE CLUB ENTERTAINED A NUMBER OF CHILDREN AT ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TREAT.

GROUP TAKEN AT "CRONIES" DANCE AT BELFAST CASTLE IN AID OF ULSTER HOSPITAL FOR CHILDREN AND WOMEN.



IRISH GUARDS RETURN FROM PALESTINE.—The Lord Mayor of London (Sir Frank Bowater) taking the salute at the Mansion House, London, when the Irish Guards, on their return from Egypt and Palestine, marched through the City to take up duty at the Tower of London.

WILLOWFIELD BOWLING CLUB ANNUAL REUNION AND DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES IN THOMPSON'S.—MR. J. HIGGINS, PRESIDENT, PRESENTS MR. FRED GREER, JUNIOR, GREEN CHAMPION, WITH HIS TROPHY.

LATE NEWS.

HURST PARK MEETING.

2-30—Dominick's Cross (5-4) 1, Kingsland 2, Bambou II. 3. Also—Glen Leven, Ballistics.

NORTH BELFAST YACHT CLUB. — ANNUAL PRIZE DISTRIBUTION IN CLUBHOUSE. MR. ERSKINE, COMMODORE, PRESENTING MR. G. CLEARY WITH HIS MOTOR-BOAT TROPHY.

26th GROUP (BELFAST) BOY SCOUTS.—PLATFORM PARTY AND STALLHOLDERS AT SALE OF WORK HELD IN THE HEADQUARTERS, GIBSON PARK. INCLUDED ARE CAPTAIN W. CECIL WHITING (CHAIRMAN), MRS. WHITING (WHO DECLARED THE SALE OPEN), MR. W. NORRITT, MR. G. TOMBE, MRS. F. GARDNER, AND SENIOR CUB EDDIE GARDNER.

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